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December 31st, 1973-January 6, 1974

PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE



Bishop Abel Tendekayi Muzorewa

SECRETARY OF THE CONFERENCE



Mr. Elliot Musumhi

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Part I

CONFERENCE PERSONNEL

RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

HEADQUARTERS

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A. OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

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P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.

SECRETARY

Mr. Elliot J. Musumhi
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SECRETARIAL ASSISTANTS

Rev. John Kurewa, Epworth Theological College
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Rev. Marcia Ball, 95 Salisbury Street, Salisbury.

Mr. Dickson Mungazi, Old Umtali United Methodist Centre
P. B. P7024, Umtali.

TREASURER

Mr. Isaac Musamba, P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.

STATISTICIAN

Rev. Charles Miller, P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

Mrewa: Rev. Josiah Kurewa, Mrewa Methodist Centre, P.B. 62,
Mrewa.

Mtasa/Makoni: Rev. Josiah Chidzikwe, Old Umtali Mission, P. B.
P7024, Umtali.

Mtoko/Nyadiri: Rev. Joseph Bisby, Mtoko Methodist Centre,
P. O. Box 58, Mtoko.

Salisbury/Bulawayo: Rev. Thomas L. Curtis, 95 Salisbury St.,
Salisbury

Umtali South: Rev. John B. Jijita, Mutambara Methodist Centre,
P. O. Mutambara.

B. MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS STAFF

Administrative Assistant to the Bishop: Rev. Kare Eriksson
P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.

Field Treasurer: Mr. John Shryock, P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.

Administrative Secretary to the Bishop: Miss Pat Fulmer, P. O.
Box 3408, Salisbury.

C. MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE

(Year indicates beginning of minister as member on trial and "p" indicates present at the last session of the Annual Conference).

1. RETIRED MINISTERS:

1934 Chieza, Luke, Rujeko Store, P. B. A7001, Umtali.
1927 Chieza, Philip, P. O. Box 136, Rusape.
1927 Chieza, Samuel, c/o Tanda Store, P. O. Box 28, Headlands.
1942 Chigubu, Nason, Uzumba Council, P.O. Uzumba, via Mrewa.
1926 Chimbadzwa, Josiah, P. O. Watsomba.
1933 Chitombo, Jonah, P. O. Mutambara.
1907 James, Henry I., The Burlington Hotel Suite 266, Owl's Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth, Hants, England.
1932 Kasambira, Silas, P. B. C7314, Umtali.
1924 Katsidzira, Benjamin, P. B. M7209, Umtali.
1930 Katsidzira, Hosea, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa.
1953 Machiri, Jonah, Chipfatsura, P.O. Box 97, Odzi.
1930 Machiri, Patrick, Gonongono United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 32, Odzi.
1948 p Makuto Daniel, Nyamutumbu School, P.B. 645E, Salisbury.
1930 Maramba, Johnson, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba.
1928 Muparutsa, Moses, Muparutsa School, c/o Gatsi School, P.B. 82G Penhalonga.
1930 p Munjoma, Enoch, Matendeudze, P. O. Mutambara.
1910 O'Farrell, T. A., 417 Kitchel Ave., Pana, Illinois 62557, U.S.A.
1930 p Rugayo, Jackson, c/o Nyanyadzi Methodist Church, P. O. Nyanyadzi.

2. EFFECTIVE MINISTERS

1958 p Alvord, Alexander, 95 Salisbury St., Salisbury.
1948 Anfisen, Hans F., P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.
1953 p Ball, Marcia M., Market Square Book Room, 95 Salisbury
1955 p Bisby Joseph B., Mtoko Methodist Centre, P. O. Box 58, Mtoko.
1952 Bjerkerot, Ernst (furlough)
1940 p Blomquist, Lennart G., Old Umtali, P. B. P7024, Umtali.
1948 p Chidzikwe, Josiah, P. B. P7024, Umtali
1953 p Chikosi, Davidson, Munyarari, P.B. C7325, Umtali.
1955 p Chimbganda, Elijah, Mrewa East Circuit, Mrewa Kraal, P. O. Box 10, Mrewa.
1973 Chinoda, Micah, Scarritt College, Nashville, Tennessee, 37200, U.S.A.
1973 p Chitiyo, Elia, Chitenderano School, P.B. 2006, Inyazura.
1952 p Chiza, Martin, Mutambara Mission, P.O. Mutambara.
1948 p Choto, Kenneth, Nyadiri Methodist Centre, P. B. 636E, Sby.
1943 p Culver, Maurice, Epworth Theological College, Box 97H, Hatfield.
1957 p Curtis, Thomas L., 95 Salisbury St., Salisbury.
1954 p Dikanifuwa, Nason, United Methodist Church, Chatima Rd., P. O. Harare.
1972 p Dikito, Lancelot, 3133/1 Mkoba Township, Gwelo.
1941 p Eriksson, Kare E., P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.
1970 Feiker, James (Furlough) 2711 Canterbury Road, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104.
1956 Goodloe, Robert W., Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas, USA.

1948 Griffin, Hunter D., United Methodist Board of Missions, 475
Riverside Drive, New York, N. Y. 10027, U.S.A.

1952 p Gurupira, Philemon, Mtoko Mission, P. O. Box 58, Mtoko.

1963 p Gurure, J. Johnstone, Mrewa Methodist Centre, P.B. 62,
Mrewa.

1948 Harper, Kenneth, 355 Transylvania Park, Lexington, Ky. USA.

1973 p Huddleston, Darrell, Box 196, Rusape.

1959 Heyer, Edward, Harford School, Moyamba, Sierra Leone.

1962 p Jijita, Elliot, Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali.

1953 p Jijita, John B., Mutambara Methodist Centre, P. O. Mutambara

1951 p Johnson, J. Morgan, Nyadirri, P. B. 636E, Salisbury.

1965 p Kadenge, Fanuel, Arnoldine Mission, Box 42, Headlands.

1959 p Kaemmer, John E., University of Rhodesia, P. O. Box MP
167 Mount Pleasant, Salisbury.

1942 p Kajese, Amon C., Chindenga School, P. O. Mtoko.

1961 p Kalso, Milton, Nyadirri, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.

1967 p Kanonuhwa, Arthur, Muchinjike, P.B. 21, Mrewa.

1960 Kapenzi, Geoffrey (supernumerary)

1955 p Katsande, Alfred, P. O. Box 34, Mrewa.

1953 Kawadza, Jonah, Mrewa High School, P.B. 62, Mrewa.

1960 p Kurewa, John, Epworth Theological College, Box 97H,
Hatfield.

1965 p Kurewa Josiah, Mrewa United Methodist Centre, P.B. 62,
Mrewa.

1953 p Kuwana, Elisha, Chikore School, P. B. 56, Headlands.

1948 p Leiknes, Asbjorn, 7 Hosgood Ave., Umtali.

1953 p Madzinga, Nason, Nyamuzuwe United Methodist Centre,
P. O. Box 57, Mtoko.

1973 p Makande, Josiah, Chakohwa School, P.B. C7314, Umtali.

1966 p Makunike, Willis, Nyakatsapa Mission, P. O. Watsomba.

1972 p Marara, Willie, Gandanzara School, P.B. 8084, Rusape.

1968 p Marewangepo, Zebediah, 4402 Highfields, P. O. Highfields,
Salisbury.

1971 p Masenda, Jairus, Mt. Makomwe School, P.B. 93, Odzi.

1963 p Matongo, Rudolph, Nyamutumbu, P. B. 645E, Salisbury.

1968 p Mawanga, Wilson, Inyanga United Methodist Church,
P.O. Inyanga.

1968 p Mawokomatanda, Isaac, P. O. Box 10002, Mabvuku, Salisbury.

1951 p Miller, Charles, P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.

1969 p Mudiwa, Peter B., P.B. 322, Mrewa.

1959 p Mudzengerere, David L., Uzumba Council, P.O. Uzumba,
via Mrewa.

1967 p Mukangara, Samuel, P.O. Box 172, Mangula.

1962 Munjoma, John.

1965 p Mkasa, Caleb, P. O. Box 97, Odzi.

1968 p Messenger, Frank, 133 Main Street, Umtali.

1942 p Munjonja, Samuel, Old Umtali, P. B. P7024, Umtali.

1954 p Murphree, Marshall W., University of Rhodesia, P. O. Box
MP 167, Mount Pleasant, Salisbury.

1953 p Mushapaidze, Davidson, Makosa School, P. O. Box 83, Mtoko.

1971 p Mutamba, Webster, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali.

1956 p Muzulu, Samuel, Muradzikwa School, P. B. M7214, Umtali.

1969 p Mvenge, Thomas, Matendeudze, P. O. Mutambara.

1970 p Nderere, John, 149 Muriranyenze Rd, P.O. Mufakose Sby.

1966 p Nduna, Samuel, Mundenda, P. B. 454, Umtali.

1965 p Nyauengama, Samson, Mutsago School, P. B. P7006, Umtali.

1948 p Nyamukapa, Patron, Nyadirri Centre, P. B. 636E, Salisbury.

1961 Nyamurowa, Dennison, Bible House, P.O. Box 740, Blantyre.
Malawi.

1964 p Nyanungo, Lovemore, Q 20, Mzilikazi Township, Bulawayo.
 1953 Otto, Grace, Maun Secondary School, P.O. Box 115, Maun, Botswana.
 1953 Otto, Vivian, Same as above.
 1971 p Sakutombo, John, Muziti School, P.B. 8052, Rusape.
 1971 Sanganza, Sandah, 26 Chinamhora St, P.O. Harare.
 1966 p Shamu, Kenneth, P.O. Box 196, Rusape.
 1955 Thomas, Norman, Mindolo Ecumenical Foundation, P.O. Box 1493 Kitwe, Zambia.
 1950 Stine, Ovid, Southern Illinois Conference, USA.
 1972 p Tsiga, Julius, Epworth Theological College, Box 97H, Hatfield.
 1971 Usore, Jotham, U.S.A.
 1965 p Zhungu, Lamech, Old Umtali United Methodist Centre, P.B. P7024, Umtali.
 1954 p Zuze, Solomon, Box 2007, Inyazura

3. MINISTERS ON TRIAL

1973 p Chapata, Edward, Nyamuzuwe United Methodist Centre, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko.
 1973 p Dziba, Nisbert, Chikwizo School, P.O. Box 504, Mtoko.
 1974 p Hodzi, David, Rupinda U.M. Church, P.O. Box 54, Penhalonga.
 1973 p Kasiyamhuru, Lazarus, Dindi School, P.B. 649, Mrewa.
 1973 p Marumba, Jonathan, Gatsi School, P.B. 88G, Penhalonga.
 1973 p Muchenyereyi, Morgan, Nyanyadzi United Methodist Church P.O. Nyanyadzi.
 1973 p Muzorewa, David, Mutambara High School, P.O. Mutambara.
 1974 p Zimonte, Passion, Chindenga School, P.B. 75, Mtoko.

D. OTHER CONFERENCE WORKERS

1. APPROVED SUPPLY PASTORS:

p Chidawanyika, Bennett, Gumbanjera School, Waterloo, via Macheke.
 p Chikodzi, Elias, UCCSA, Francis Town, Botswana.
 p Matambanadzo, Annual, Dendera Dam Development Project, P. O. Mtoko.
 p Mhandu, Kenneth, Mafararikwa U.M. Church, P.B. 2026, Odzi.
 p Nkomo, Kaiboni, Dombotombo Township, Marandellas.

2. DEACONESESSES

p Chinofukutwa, Dorcas, % Q. 20, Mzilikazi Township, Bulawayo.
 Mukangara, Martha, P.O. Box 172, Mangula.
 s Samudzimu, Mrs. Edith, P.O. Box 196, Rusape.
 Wilson, Barbara, Mutambara Hospital, P.O. Mutambara.

3. JOINT PASTOR:

Mlambo, Philemon, No. 2640, Mkoba Township, Gwelo.

4. MISSIONARIES:

(Year indicates beginning of missionary service in Rhodesia)

a. Retired:

1952 Aschliman, Mrs. Myrtle, Olds Hall, P. O. Box 791, Daytona Beach, Florida, U.S.A.

1945 Ashby, Elma, 120 Diana Street, Perris, California 92370, USA
1907 Gates, Mrs. H.L., Pickering, Ontario, Canada.
1926 Hansson, Ruth, Bergsgatan 2, Lulea, Sweden.
1915 Hess, Stella, Brookes-Howell W.S.C.S. Home, 29 Spears Ave., Asheville, North Carolina, U.S.A.

1923 King, Sarah, 275 Robincroft Dr., Pasadena, Calif. 91104, U.S.A.
1920 Murphree, Mrs. Lois M.J. 2404 Loring, San Diego, California. 92109, U.S.A.

1925 Nutting, Clara, Bancroft-Taylor Home, 74 Cookman, Ocean Grove, N.J. 07756, U.S.A.

1920 Parmenter, Ona, 275 Robincroft Dr., Pasadena, Calif., 91104, U.S.A.

1929 Pfaff, Jessie, 524 Bennett St., Bottineau, North Dakota, 58318, U.S.A.

1922 Reitz, Beulah, Brookes-Howell W.S.C.S. Home, 29 Spears Ave., Asheville, North Carolina, U.S.A.
1918 Roberts, Mrs. G. A., P. O. Box 543, Penney Farms, Fla. 32079, U.S.A.

1929 Sells, Olga, Box 157, Lake Junaluska, North Carolina, U.S.A.
1925 Scovill, Ila, P. O. Box 118, Pioneer, Ohio, U.S.A.
1952 Sheretz, Mrs. D. Lamar, 2905 Randolph Rd., Silver Spring, Maryland, U.S.A.

1931 Whitney, Alice, 2733 Montrose Ave., Apt. 11, Montrose California 91020, U.S.A.

b. Effective

1959 Alvord, Dorothy, 95 Salisbury Street, Salisbury.
1951 Anfinsen, Odney, (Furlough).
1961 Bisby, Dorothy, Mtoko United Methodist Centre, P. O. Box 58, Mtoko.

1947 Blomquist, Maj-Stina, Old Umtali, P. B. P7024, Umtali.
1967 Brun, Margret (furlough)
1944 Culver, Verna, Epworth Theological College, Box 97H, Hatfield.

1961 Curtis, Margaret, 95 Salisbury St., Salisbury.
1965 DeWolf, Edward (furlough)
1968 DeWolf, Shirley, (same as above)

1949 Eriksson, Asta, P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.
1969 Feiker, Anne-Gure, (Furlough)

1961 Finster, William, Dendera Dam Development Project,
P. O. Mtoko.

1961 Finster, Esther, (same as above)

1958 Fleshman, George, Box 115, Maun Secondary School,
Botswana.

1958 Fleshman, Flora, (same as above)

1967 Fulmer, Pat, P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.

1951 Griffin, Ellabeth, c/o H. Griffin, Board of Missions of the
United Methodist Church, 475 Riverside Dr., New York,
N.Y., 10027, U.S.A.

1947 Hervold, Signhild, Mutambara Secondary School,
P. O. Mutambara.

1970 Hoover, Gall, Nyadiri, P. B. 636E, Salisbury.

1972 Huddleston, Bonnie, Box 196, Rusape.

1947 Johansson, Margit, Mutambara Medical, P. O. Mutambara.

1961 Johnson, Rosalie, Nyadiri, P. B. 636E., Salisbury.

1963 Kaemmer, (Furlough).

1963 Kalso, Geraldine, Nyadiri T.T. College, P.B. 636E, Salisbury.

1973 Knauer, Lyn Joanna, Nyadiri Hospital, P.B. 636E, Salisbury.

1948 Leiknes, Astrid, 7 Hosgood Ave., Umtali.

1965 Lindgren, Ruth, Nyadiri, P. B. 636E, Salisbury.

1972 Mansure, Arthur, P.B. 62, Mrewa.

1972 Mansure, Janice, P.B. 62, Mrewa.

1956 Matzigkeit, Everett, P.B. 62, Mrewa.

1956 Matzigkeit, Ruth (same as above)

1972 Meier, Claire, Nyadiri Hospital, P.B. 636E, Salisbury.

1968 Messenger, Susan, 133 Main Street, Umtali.

1958 Miller, Ellen Box 3408, Salisbury.

1973 Morford, Anna, P.B. 62, Mrewa.

1964 Nelvig Margret, Jonar Court 2, Natal Rd, Avondale, Salisbury.

1938 Parks, Edith, Old Umtali, P. B. P7024, Umtali.

1946 Roberts, Tudor, Nyamuzuwe, P. O. Box 57, Mtoko.

1946 Roberts, Emilie, (same as above)

1962 Rudy, Donald B., P. O. Mutambara.

1962 Rudy, Ruth, (same as above)

1957 Schevenius, John, "The Haven", 140 Fern Rd., P. O. Hatfield.

1957 Schevenius, Ruth, (same as above)

1963 Shryock, John, 6 Gloucester Dr., Eastlea, Salisbury.

1963 Shryock, Ruth, (same as above)

1955 Simonsson, Bengt, (furlough)

1955 Simonsson, Marta, (same as above)

1943 Stine, Mava, U.S.A.

1947 Taylor, Mildred, Nyamuzuwe, P. O. Box 57, Mtoko.

1961 Thomas, Winnie, Mindolo Ecumenical Foundation, P.O.
Box 1493, Kitwe, Zambia.

1968 Wilson, Barbara, Mutambara Medical, P. O. Mutambara.

Lay Delegates:

MREWA DISTRICT

Chikore-Tanda: Samuel Matimba, p. Chikore School, P. B. 56, Head-
lands.

Headlands: James Kufakunesu, p, Magura School, P.B. 25, Headlands.

Maramba-Pfungwe: Jonah Kaundikiza, p, Guyu Township, Maramba, P.B. 605, Mrewa.

Mrewa East: Crispin Mukusha, p, Chiguri School, P.B. 49, Mrewa.
Mrewa United Methodist Centre: Titus Chitanda, p, P.B. 62, Mrewa
Alec Chibanguza, p, P.B. 62, Mrewa.

Mrewa North: Samuel Mukombiwa, p, Muchinjike School, P. B. 21, Mrewa.

Mrewa South: p, I. Muedzwa, Chamapango School, P.B. 32, Mrewa.

Mrewa West: p, Daniel Choruwa, Mhembere School, P.B. 178,

Mrewa.

Nhewe: p, Elijah Mukarakate, Mtize School, P.B. 927, Mrewa.

Uzumba: Stanford Chihwai, p, Chitimbe School, P. B. 34, Mrewa.

MTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT

Chiduku North: Newton Chiwara, p, Muziti, P. B. 8052, Rusape.

Chiduku South: p, Noah Kapumha, Chitenderano School, P.B. 2006, Inyazura.

Chizawana: Ermson Mugandane, p, Dowa Council School, P. O. Gwangwadza, via Rusape.

Gandanzara Circuit: p, Zacharia Manditsera, Chikuruwo School, P.B. 8014, Rusape.

Honde Valley: p, Mattie M'parutsa, M'parutsa School, P.B. 82G, Penhalonga.

Inyanga Circuit: p, Caleb Madiwa, St. Monica School, Flying Dove Store, P.B. 20, Inyanga.

Makoni Circuit: p, Kingsley Ruwende, Zuze School, P.B. 7, Rusape.

Mundenda-Penhalonga: p, Kingston Kahlari, Mundenda School, P.B. 7017, Umtali.

Nyakatsapa Circuit: p, John Ranga, Nyakatsapa School, P.O. Watsomba.

Nyamukwarara Circuit: Nathaniel Dozva, Rupinda Store, P.B. Penhalonga.

Old Umtali Mission: p, (1) Mrs. Avis Chikwanha, (2) Mr. Obert Mhere, P.B. P7024, Umtali.

Rusape Railway: p, Mrs. Pheobe Mashonganyika, P.O. Box 87, Rusape.

MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT

Chikwizo Circuit: p, Kaisi Nyamajiwu, Nyamatawa School, P. Bag 510, Mtoko. *Bd of Comm.*

Dendera-Area C: p, Raphael Chimhanda, Kaitano School, P.B. 508, Mtoko.

Mtoko East: Phares Kamupira, p, Kawere School, P.B. 82, Mtoko.

Mtoko North: p, Herbert Mutize, Nyamukoho School, P.O. Box 92, Mtoko.

Mtoko South: Patrick Nyamubaya, p, P.O. Box 58, Mtoko.

Mtoko West: p, Nason Muburiri, Nyakabau School, P.O. Box 91, Mtoko.

Nyadiri United Methodist Centre & Farms: p, Willas Makombe and Mrs. James Makawa, P.B. 636E, Salisbury.

Nyadiri Circuit: p, Micah Dangarembga, Musanhi School, P.B. 636E, Salisbury.

Nyamuzuwe Circuit: p, Lazarus Mandizha, Nyamuzuwe High School, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko.

SALISBURY-BULAWAYO DISTRICT

Bindura: Mrs. Sharara, p, Madziwa Clinic, P.B. 917, Bindura.
Bulawayo Circuit: p, David Ngarize, No. 7578/7 Tshabalala, Bulawayo.
Gwelo: Dennis Tsakatsa, p, No. 2640, Mkoba, Gwelo.
Harare Circuit: p, Samuel Chimsoro, Chatima Road, P.O. Harare.
Highfield: Kenneth Mapira, p, Rukudzo School, Kambuzuma, Southerton.
Mabvuku Circuit: p, Gaylord Kambarami, Box 10002, P.O. Mabvuku.
Mangula Circuit: p, David Zhungu, Box 172, P.O. Mangula.
Marandellas Circuit: p, Mr. Makuna, Dombotombo Township, Marandellas.
Midlands Circuit: p, John Kadzirange, 3138/2 Mkoba, Gwelo.
Mufakose-Bindura: p, David Mwadiwa, P.O. Mufakose.

UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT

Hilltop Umtali: p, Ephraim Matara, p, Isaac Mapa, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali.
Marange Central: p, Ernest Katsidzira, Matanda School, P.B. P70870, Umtali.
Marange North: p, Samson Chikafu, Mwandiambira School, Private Bag P7084, Umtali.
Marange South: p, T. Dziwa, P.B. P7006, Umtali.
Marange West: p, Richard Munjoma, Mamwara Store, Box 103, Odzi.
Mutambara East: Senjula Maringapasi, p, Chiramba School, P. O. Mutambara.
Mutambara Centre: p, Matthew Mataranyika, p, Silas Mashingaidze, Mutambara Mission, P.O. Mutambara.
Mutambara West: Lloyd Munjoma, p, Chakohwa U.M. Church, P. B. C7314, Umtali.
Nyanyadzi: Timothy Chimberengwe, Hot Springs School, P.B. C7341, Umtali.
Umtali Hilltop, Miller Memorial: Ephraim Matara, p. J. Hood Church, Box 129, Umtali.
Josephat Chitakatira: p, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali.
Zimunya North: p, Isaac W. Marimbire, Rowa School, P.B. C7319, Umtali.
Zimunya South: p, Mrs. Felicia Rusero, Muromo School, P.B. C7324, Umtali.

District Layleaders:

Mrewa District: Nason Kaseke, Chikuhwa School, P.O. Box 33, Mrewa.
Mtasa/Makoni: Naboth Gandanzara, Gandanzara School, P.B. 8084, Rusape.
Mtoko/Nyadlrl: Timothy Gwati, Nyadiri U. M. Centre, P. B. 636E, Salisbury.
Salisbury-Bulawayo: Isaac Musamba, P.O. Box 3408, Salisbury.
Umtali South: Matthew Mataranyika, Mutambara High School, P.O. Mutambara.
Conference Lay Leader: William Marima, Old Umtali United Methodist Centre, P. B. P7024, Umtali.

Part II

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

BOFAC MEMBERS

Classes will be re-elected as their term expires, but alternates will serve for four years.)

Chairman: Bishop A.T. Muzorewa.

Secretary: Mr. E. Musumhi.

Assistant Secretary: Dr. J.W.Z. Kurewa.

MINISTERS (voting)

Class of 1974—Rev. N. Dikanifuwa, Rev. A. Kanonuhwa.

Class of 1976—Rev. F. Kadenge, Rev. J. Gurure.

Alternates:

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| 1. Rev. K. Shamu. | 2. Rev. M. Johnson. |
| 3. Rev. D. Mushapaidze. | 4. To be elected. |

LAYMEN (Voting)

Class of 1974—Mr. A. Chibanguza, Mr. A. Dangarembga.

Class of 1976—Mr. O. Musuka, Mr. L. Mandizha.

Alternates:

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| 1. Mr. H. Katedza. | 2. Mr. D. Mungazi. |
| 3. Mr. N. Chiwara. | 4. To be elected. |

LAYWOMEN (Voting)

Class of 1974—Mrs. E. Tsiga, Mrs. E. Sadza.

Class of 1976—Mrs. S. Dangarembga, Mrs. S. Munjoma.

Alternates:

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| 1. Mrs. A. Chikwanha. | 2. Mrs. H. Mangate. |
| 3. Mrs. M. Mudzengerere. | 4. Mrs. D. Chiksoi. |

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS (Voting)

Rev. T.L. Curtis, Rev. J.B. Jijita, Rev. Josiah Kurewa, Rev. J. Chidzikwe, Rev. J. Bisby.

DISTRICT LAY LEADERS (Voting)

Mtasa-Makoni (Mr. N. Gandanzara).

Umtali South (Mr. M. Mataranyika).

Mrewa (Mr. N. Kaseke). (Mr. N. Kaseke was elected Dis-

trict Lay Leader and Mr. Dangarembga became permanent member of BOFAC.)

Salisbury-Bulawayo (Mr. I. Musamba)

Mtoko-Nyadiri (Mr. T. Gwati).

EX-OFFICIO (non-voting)

Conference Lay Leader (Mr. W. Marima).

Adm. Assistant to the Bishop (Rev. K. Eriksson).

Field Treasurer (Mr. J. Shryock).

Conference Treasurer (Mr. I. Musamba, voting as District Lay Leader).

Auditor (Rev. F. Messenger).

Conference Building Inspector (Mr. J. Schevenius).

Education Secretary (Rev. A. Alvord).

Medical Secretary (Dr. D. Rudy).

1. ORGANIZATION. As this is the beginning of the quadrennium you will find a listing of newly organized committees as well as other matters of organization.

Permanent Committees

2. COMMITTEES: The following members of BOFAC were named to Committees. Please do note that the Chairman and Secretary are indicated.

A. AUDIT.

Chairman: Mr. Timothy Gwati.

Secretary: Rev. F. Messenger.

Rev. N. Dikanifuwa.

Rev. J. Gurure.

Rev. J.B. Jijita.

Mr. N. Gandanzara (Mtasa-Makoni District Lay Leader)

B. BUDGET.

Chairman: Mr. M. Mataranyika.

Secretary: Mr. E. Musumhi.

Rev. Josiah Kurewa.

Rev. J. Chidzikwe.

Mr. I. Musamba (Salisbury-Bulawayo District Lay Leader).

Mr. W. Marima (Conference Lay Leader).
Umtali South District Lay Leader (see Chairman).
Mr. L. Mandizha.
Mrs. S. Munjoma.
Field Treasurer.
Conference Treasurer.
Adm. Assistant.

C. BUILDING.

Chairman: Rev. A. Kanonuhwa.
Secretary: Mr. J. Schevenius.
Rev. T.L. Curtis.
Rev. F. Kadenge.
Mr. N. Kaseke. (Mrewa District Lay Leader)
Mrs. E. Tsiga.

D. SCHOLARSHIP.

Chairman: Mr. A. Chibanguza.
Secretary: Rev. A. Alvord.
Rev. J. Bisby.
Mr. O. Musuka.
Mr. A. Dangarembga.
Mrs. S. Dangarembga.
Mrs. E. Sadza.

3. VICE CHAIRMAN

Rev. T.L. Curtis was re-elected.

4. ADDITIONAL VOTING MEMBERS. In order to equalize the number of laymen and ministers voting, Conference had agreed that the five District Superintendents would become voting members.

5. DISTRICT LAY LEADERS VOTE: In the event of absence of any of these lay leaders, the respective Assistant District Lay Leader will be asked to attend in his absence. As soon as possible BOFAC Secretary should be informed of the name and address of the assistant District Lay Leader in each District. However, the responsibility for inviting the assistant will be up to the Lay Leader himself.

6. ALTERNATES. The first alternate is expected to

attend all meetings of BOFAC. In this way he will be familiar with actions and will be on hand in the event of an unexpected absence. If a principal member is absent, he will become a voting member of that session.

7. ABSENCE OF PRINCIPAL. If any voting member of BOFAC cannot attend the session, he must inform the Secretary, Mr. E. Musumhi, who will invite the next alternate to attend in his absence. This is necessary as alternates have been elected by number (i.e. 1, 2, 3, 4.) and they will be asked in this order. (Example: If a principal is absent, the 1st alternate, who is already expected to attend, will become the principal at that session. Then the second alternate will be invited as a non-voting member. This should ensure a full BOFAC at all times.)

8. VOTING MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES. Only persons assigned *permanently* to that Committee may vote. Alternates will be placed on committees depending upon whom they are sitting for. However, they will not be voting members of the Committee, but may speak on any matter in that particular committee.

9. BOFAC NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: The following members were elected.

Rev. J. Bisby, Convener.
Mr. W. Marima.
Mr. A. Chibanguza.
Mr. E. Musumhi.
Mrs. E. Sadza.

A. *First Group*

1. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

Thomas Mvenge, Amon Kajese, Davidson Mushapaidze, Philemon Kajese, Emerson Mugandani, David Muzorewa, Mildred Taylor, Elijah Mukarakate, Wilson Mapa, Annual Matambanadzo, Julius Tsiga, Willas Makunike, Ruth Matzigkeit, Lloyd Munjoma, Elisha Kuwana, Herbert Katedza, Kenneth Mapira, Ernest Mupfunya, Jairus Masedza, Peter Mudiwa, Nisbert Dziwa, Wilson Mawanga,

Mattie Muparutsa, Ellen Miller, Deborah Chimonyo, Alfred Katsande, Stanford Chihwai, Josiah Makande, Elliot Jijita, Lazarus Kasiyamhuru, Kenneth Choto, John Ranga, Avis Chikwanha, Lamech Zhungu, Ruth Shryock, Martha Mukangara, Stanley Mataranyika, Kaiboni Nkomo, Felicia Ruse-ro, Isaac Mawokomatanda, Samuel Mandisodza, Zakariah Mukurazhizha, Elijah Chimbanga, Samuel Mukombiwa, Johnstone Gurure, Morgan Johnson, Webster Mutamba.

2. BOARD OF EDUCATION: (Members listed by act of Conference)
(Chairman—Josiah Njagu, Secretary—James Makawa)

One D.S., Josiah Chidzikwe; Three Ministers — Kenneth Shamu, Zebediah Marewangepo, Alfred Katsande; Two School Managers — Benjamin Mutambara, Rodwell Kambarami, Six Heads of Post Primary Schools — Sunnyside Headmistress, Josiah Njagu, Amon Dangarembga, Alec Chibanguza, James Makawa, Oliver Musuka; Two Mission Land Primary Heads—Nyakatsapa and Dindi; Two women —Ruth Shryock, Erica Maenzanise; Five Members at Large —Education Secretary, Milton Kalso, Silas Mashingaidze, Everett Matzigkeit, Gail Hoover.

Alternates: D.S. —Josiah Kurewa, Minister—Johnstone Gurure, School Manager —David Sithole, Central Primary Heads—Chikwizo, Glenada, Women—Susan Dangarembga, Emilie Roberts, Members at Large — Ruth Schevenius, Timothy Gwati, Herbert Katedza.

3. WORSHIP AND MUSIC:

Ben Jambga —Chairman, Lancelot Dikito —Secretary, Stanford Chihwai, Patricia Karimanzira, Kenneth Mapira, Wilson Mazaiwana, Lazarus Mandizha, Martin Chiza, Julius Tsiga, Ephraim Matara, David Mara, John Mutimbanyoka, Patrick Matsekenyiri, Verna Culver, Fanuel Kadenge, Peter Mudiwa, Lovemore Nyanungo, Kenneth Shamu, Edith Samudzimu, Thomas Mvenge, Ruth Matzigkeit, Zacharia Manditsera, James Kufakunesu, David Ngarize, Senjula Maringapasi, Josiah Makande, Jairus Masenda, Bennett Chidawanyika, David Zhungu, Amon Kajese, Isaiah Mvenzva, Phebe Mashonganyika, Caleb Mwadiwa, Christopher Mvere.

4. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE:

Alec Chibanguza—Chairman, Patrick Matsikenyiri — Secretary, Morgan Johnson, Matthew Mataranyika, Elliot Jijita, Lazarus Mandizha, William Marima.

5. METHODIST RURAL AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT:

All Land Agents (3), three representatives of local agriculture committees — Mutambara, Nyadiri, Old Umtali, Field Treasurer, two representatives from BOFAC, chairman from the Farm Executive committees at Arnoldine and Nyakatsapa, five members at large elected by Conference including two person active in rural woman's work— Mrs. Jonah Chitombo, Jeremiah Chitauro, Tudor Roberts, William Marima, Dorothy Bisby, Arthur Mansure, Maj Stina Blomquist.

N.B. Committee for the north: William Finster, D.S. Mtoko, D.S. Mrewa, Denford Chimbanga, J. Choto, E. Tobani.

B. Second Group

1. BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES:

William Marima —Chairman, Lazarus Mandizha —Secretary, Stanford Chihwai, Lloyd Munjoma, Newton Chiwara, John Ranga, James Makawa, Jane Makawa, Matthew Mataranyika, Nabeth Gandanzara, Baxton Chikoore, Timothy Gwati, Isaac Musamba, Titus Chitanda, Felicia Rusero, Samuel Mandisodza, Zacharia Mukurazhizha, Alec Chibanguza, Willas Makombe, Silas Mashingaidze, Samuel Mukombiwa, Patrick Nyamubaya, Ruth Shryock, Isaac Mapa, Ephraim Matara, Avis Chikwanha, John Mutimbanyoka, Abisha Tsakatsa, David Zhungu, Stanley Mataraanyika, Zacharia Manditsera, Samson Chikafu, Samuel Chimusoro, Kingston Kahlari, Timothy Chimberengwa, Micah Dangarembga, Isaiah Myenzva.

2. MEMOIRS:

Wilson Mawanga — Chairman, Esther Finster — Secretary, Samuel Munjoma, Ruth Matzigkeit, Nason Madzinga, Tafadzwa Nderere, Mattie Muparutsa, Elia Chitiyo.

3. BOARD OF MINISTRY:

Josiah Kurewa — Chairman, Joseph Bisby — Secretary, Marcia Ball, Zvomunondita Kurewa, Jonah Kawadza, Martin Chiza, Maurice Culver, Tafadzwa Nderere, Fanuel Kadenge, Lovemore Nyanungo, Thomas Curtis, Kare Eriksson.

Alternates: Alex Alvord, Johnstone Gurure.

4. COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS:

Webster Mutamba — Chairman, Morgan Johnson—Secretary, Lancelot Dikito, Lovemore Nyanungo, Elijah Chimbganda, Kenneth Choto, Matthew Mataranyika, Julius Tsiga, Thomas Curtis, Everett Matzigkeit, Johnstone Gurure, Fanuel Kadenge, Naboth Gandanzara, Market Square Bookroom Manager, Umbowo Editor, Press Manager, Asta Eriksson, John Sakutombo, Nason Dikanifuwa, David Muzorewa, Raphael Chimhanda, Harriet Mungati, Director of Archives, Samson Nyakuengama, Frank Messenger, David Hodzi, Christopher Mvere.

5. STUDENT LOAN FUND:

Newton Chiwara — Chairman, Willas Makombe — Secretary, Titus Chitanda, Rudolph Matongo, Silas Mashingaidze, Samuel Muzulu, Samuel Mukombiwa, Martha Mukangara, Milton Kalso, John Mutimbanyoka, Caleb M'kasa, Abisha Tsakatsa, Samuel Nduna, Gaylord Kambarami, Herbert Katedza, Wilson Mazaiwana, Philemon Chimhanda, Nisbert Dziwa, Raphael Chimhanda, Jairus Masenda, Lloyd Munjoma, Pitcairn Karimanzira, Nason Chigubu, Baxton Chikoore, Wilson Mapa, Sandah Sanganzah, Edward Chapatwa, Annual Matambanadzo, Jeremiah Chitauro, Solomon Zuze, Samuel Nduna, Morgan Muchanyereyi, Eliah Chikodzi, Nason Muburiri, Samson Chikafu, Timothy Chimberengwe, Senjulah Maringapasi, Isaiah Myezva, Micah Dangarembga, Chrispen Mukusha, Zacharia Manditsera.

C. Third Group

1. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS:

Gaylord Kambarami — Chairman, Sandah Sanganzah—Secretary, Samuel Matimba, Philemon Kajese, Jonathan

Maramba, Nabeth Gandanzara, H. Ruwende, Morgan Muchanyereyi, Nason Dikanifuwa, Eliah Chitiyo, Pherris Kamupira, Phelemon Chimhanda, Elijah Chimbanga, Jane Makawa, Isaiah Kapfunde, Alfred Katsande, Lazarus Mandizha, Lazarus Kasiyamhuru, Kaiboni Nkomo, Isaac Mawokomatanda, Peter B. Mudiwa, Samuel Mandisodza, Zacharia Mukurazhizha, Willas Makombe, Elijah Chimbanga, Elliot Musumhi, Arthur Kanonuhwa, Davidson Chikosi, Patrick Nyamubaya, Samuel Mukangara, Avis Chikwanha, Willie Marara, Oliver Musuka, Webster Mutamba, Tafadzwa Nderere, Patrick Majora, Herbert Katedza, Ernest Mupfunya, Deborah Chimonyo, Isaac Mukarakate, David Muzorewa, Isaac Mapa.

2. DEACONESS:

Rosemary Chidzikwe —Chairwoman, Dorcas Chinofukutwa — Secretary, Mrs. Kenneth Choto, Margaret Curtis, Maj-Stina Blomquist, Mrs. John Jijita, Nason Madzinga, Martha Mudzengerere, Edith Samudzimu, Martha Mukangara, Dorcas Chinofukutwa, Ruth Matzigkeit, Ellen Miller.

3. HISTORICAL:

Amon Dangarembga — Chairman, Caleb M'kasa — Secretary, Milton Kalso, Kenneth Choto, Lennart Blomquist, Elliot Jijita, Wilson Mawanga, Lazarus Mandizha, John Sakutombo, Joseph Bisby, Pitcairn Karimanzira, Julius Tsiga, Director of Archives.

4. RESOLUTIONS:

Isaac Mawokomatanda, Dorcas Chinopfukutwa, Nisbert Dziwa, Philemon Gurupira, Lazarus Kasiyamhuru, Samuel Makawa, Daniel Makawa.

5. MEDICAL ACTIVITIES: (Membership limited by Conference)

Executive Secretary, Medical Superintendent-Mutambara —Donald B. Rudy, Nyadiri Doctor, Matrons or nurse-in-charge of all three hospital units, Nyadiri Hospital Administrator—Ben Jambga, District Superintendents, Dentist Margret Nelvig, Director of Nyadiri Nursing School — Joanna Lynn Knaur, five members at large: Mrs. Titus Kuture, John Jijita, Lloyd Munjoma, Winnie Musumhi,

Susan Dangarembga; Silas Mashingaidze, Rudo Mandizha, Nason Kaseke, Stanley Mataranyika, Isaac Musamba, Samson Nyakuengama, Emilie Roberts, Edith Samudzimu, Kenneth Shamu, John Sakutombo.

6. BOARD OF TRUSTEES: (SEE APPENDIX)

The Bishop, the Secretary and the Treasurer of the said Conference shall be members of the three different classes, respectively.

Class I — Land Agent North, James Makawa, Alec Chibanguza, William Marima.

Class II — Land Agent South No. 1, Thomas Curtis, Lazarus Mandizha, Lois Chikosi.

Class III — Land Agent South No. II, John Munjoma, John Shryock, Josiah Kurewa.

Alternates: Dickson Mungazi, Davidson Mushapaidze, Susan Dangarembga, Jonah Kawadza, Isaac Mawokomatanda, Caleb Mkasa, Samson Nyakuengama.

D. Fourth Group

1. NGARIENDE:

Martin Chiza — Chairman, Rev. Peter B.T. Mudiwa — Secretary, Baxton Chikoore, Solomon Zuze, Deborah Chimonyo, Ernest Mupfunya, David Ngarize, William Marima, Kenneth Mhandu, Wilson Mawanga, Mattie M'parutsa, Morgan Muchanyereyi, Nisbert Dziwa, Lloyd Munjoma, Eliah Chikodzi, Noah Kapumha, Philemon Kajese, Alfred Katsande, Elliot Jijita, John Ranga, Matthew Mataranyika, Samuel Mandisodza, Rudolph Matongo, Arthur Kanonuhwa, Marshall Murphree, Ephraim Matara, Abisha Tsakatsa, Patron Nyamukapa, Samuel Muzulu, Samuel Mukombiwa, Fanuel Kadenge, John Schevenius, Zebediah Mwarewangepo, Felicia Rusero, Josiah Makande, David Mudzengerere, Nason Madzinga, Annual Matambanadzo, Samuel Munjoma, Phelemon Chimhanga, Thomas Mvenge, Wilson Mapa, Bernard Chadawaenzi, Isaac Mukarakate, Trabition Dziwa, Samson Nyakuengama, Samson Chikafu, Samuel Chimusoro, Lazarus Kasiyamhuru, Kingston Kahlari, Timothy Chimberengwa, Micah Dangarembga, Isaiah Myezva, Chrispen Mukusha, Jonah Kaundikidza, Senjulah Maringapasi, Bennett Chidawanyika.

2. PENSIONS AND CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS:

Class of 1974: Nason Dikanifuwa, Kenneth Shamu, Davidson Sadza; Alternates: Ben Jambga, Samuel Mukangara.

Class of 1975: Rev. Peter B. Mudiwa, Rudolph Matongo, Samuel Muzulu; Alternates: Samuel Nduna, Oliver Mусука.

Class of 1976: Brian Stone, Caleb M'kasa, Josiah Njagu; Alternates: Samuel Munjoma, Trabition Dziwa.

Class of 1977: Kare Eriksson, Alex Alvord, William Fins-
ter; Alternates: Nason Chigubu, Tudor Roberts.

Ex-Officio Members — Field Treasurer, Conference
Treasurer.

(Note: Frank Messenger was nominated but since all
classes are full, the Pension Board must decide what to do.)

3. ECUMENICAL RELATIONS:

Darrell Huddleston — Chairman, Lazarus Mandizha —
Secretary, Kaiboni Nkomo, Martin Chiza, Patron Nyamukapa,
James Makawa, Amon Dangarembga, Maurice Culver,
Kare Eriksson, Patrick Matsikenyiri, Josiah Chidzikwe,
Fanuel Kadenge, David Mudzengerere, Ruth Shryock,
Kenneth Choto, Lovemore Nyanungo, Mattie M'parutsa,
Emerson Mugandani, Sandah Sanganzah, Thomas Curtis.

4. BOARD OF URBAN MINISTRY:

Marcia Ball — Chairman, Reddson Neshiri — Secretary,
All Salisbury/Bulawayo Ministers, Sakubva Christian Centre
Director, Salisbury/ Bulawayo District Lay Leader and
District U.M.Y.F. President, Dorcas Chinofukutwa, Verna
Culver, George Fleshman, Pat Fulmer, Davidson Samukange,
Rena Dikanifuwa, David Hodzi, Lancelot Dikito, Frank
Messenger, Sue Messenger.

Other Conference Committees

TASK FORCE:

William Marima, Matthew Mataranyika, Charles Miller.

AFRICAN GIRLS' HOSTEL (UMTALI):

Umtali South District Superintendent, Pastor of Hilltop,

Directoress of the Hostel, Director of girls, 2 girls (elected from and by the girls themselves).

DIRECTORS OF HILLTOP CENTRE:

Mrs. Jonah Chitombo, Fanuel Kadenge, John Jijita, 3 members chosen by Miller Memorial Official Board.

CALENDAR COMMITTEE:

James Makawa, Ruth Matzigkeit, Jonathan Maramba.

COMMITTEE ON TRAINING LAYMEN:

Verna Culver, Elliot Jijita, Asbjorn Leiknes, Martin Chiza, Edith Samudzimu, Matthew Mataranyika.

CREDIT UNION:

Everett Matzigkeit, Arthur Kanonuhwa, Davidson Chikosi, Charles Miller, William Finster, Denford Chimbganda, John Schevenius, Jeremiah Chitauro.

MINISTRY TO WOMEN:

Ellen Miller — Chairwoman, Jane Makawa — Secretary, Alec Chibanguza, Janet Choto, Lois Chikosi, Verna Culver, Susan Dangarembga, Asta Eriksson, Dorcas Chinofukutwa, Rudo Kapenzi, Martha Mudzengerere, Oliver Musuka, Lydia Zimonte, Martha Mukangara, Margaret Curtis, Mattie M'parutsa, Dorothy Alvord, Sue Messenger, Phebe Mashonganyika, Avis Chikwanha, Felicia Rusero.

MINIMUM SALARY:

Fanuel Kadenge, Davidson Mushapaidze, Samuel Munjoma, Tafadzwa Nderere.

Alternates: Willas Makunike, Davidson Chikosi.

SHONA LANGUAGE COMMITTEE:

Elisha Kuwana — Chairman, Morgan Muchanyereyi — Secretary, D.S. Mutasa-Makoni District, Morgan Johnson, Josiah Makande, Jairus Masenda, Matthew Mataranyika, Rudolph Matongo, Martha Mudzengerere, Ferris Munjoma, G. Murwira, Anna Morford, Flora Fleshman, Sue Messenger.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE:

Willas Makunike — Chairman, Jonathan Maramba —

Secretary, Everett Matzigkeit, Stanley Mataranyika, Isaac Musamba, Lovemore Nyanungo, John Schevenius, Nason Kaseke, Samuel Kajese, Lydia Zimonte, Elliot Jijita, Mildred Taylor, Peter K. Mudiwa, Elijah Chimbganda, Elisha Kuwana, Samuel Muzulu, Isaac Manoa, Patrick Nyamubaya, Nason Chigubu, Rev. Peter B. Mudiwa, Nason Muburiri, Caleb Mwadiwa, Kaisi Nyamajiwa, Micah Dangarembga.

PART III DAILY PROCEEDINGS

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION — MONDAY
December 31, 1973—2:00 p.m.

1. *Opening of Conference*: The eighth session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church was declared open by Bishop Abel Tendekayi Muzorewa after the following opening:

Hymn 136 Neni Handikurasi

Chitendo cheWapostori

Prayer — Rev. Daniel Makuto

Greeting — Bishop Muzorewa

Welcome — Rev. D. Mudzengerere, District Superintendent of Mrewa and Mr. Nason Kaseke, District Lay Leader. Bishop answered the welcome.

2. Roll Call: The roll was called by Elliot Musumhi, Conference Secretary, and John Kurewa, Assistant Secretary. Apologies were received from the following ministers: J. Chitombo, J. Usore, J. Machiri, M. Chinoda, L. Blomquist, J. Munjoma.

3. Orientation: The Conference programme was distributed and accepted. The Bar of the Conference is the main part of the church; visitors are asked to occupy the wings. Persons with privilege of the floor as voted in 1971 (See the Journal P. 30) were read. These do not vote. Deaconesses were added to the list.

4. Greetings: All who sent apologies also sent greetings.

5. Nominating Committee: A brief report was presented by Patrick Matsikenyiri and accepted.

6. Conference Treasurer, election: According to the 1972

General Discipline, this office is elected quadrennially. So, by general agreement, Isaac Musamba will remain Treasurer for the quadrennium.

7. Committee on privileges of the floor: Messrs. Martin Chiza, John Jijita and Morgan Johnson were named to further investigate this and determine eligibility of speakers.

8. The Conference Secretary presented the Conference Programme with alterations. It was accepted.

OPENING COMMUNION — MONDAY

December 31, 1973—8:00 p.m.

The communion Service was preceeded by a programme presented by people of Mrewa Mission. The service opened with Hymn 88 — Uyanyi Muri Pasi Pano followed by prayer offered by Rev. J.B. Jijita. Bishop Muzorewa, the District Superintendents and host pastor led the service. Hymn 153 — Upenyu Hwangu neMasimba followed.

Dr. Zvomunondita Kurewa preached on John 13: 30 to 14: 6. When Jesus was facing the possibility of the cross, He warned his disciples that they were not going to suffer with Him because He knew their weakness. However when the Holy Spirit had come they, and we, are able to do great things and stand firm. Our responsibility is to do what the Holy Spirit bids us to do. Jesus is our firm rock.

DEVOTIONS — WEDNESDAY

January 2, 1974—8:00 a.m.

Hymn — Kuedza Kwazosvika, was sung, Rev. David Mudzengerere led in prayer, and a ladies trio from Mrewa sang, "He will Hide Me."

Bishop introduced Rev. Ndhlela, General Superintendent, Methodist Synod, with his two fraternal delegates, and Rev. Dube from United Church of Christ. He then presented Bishop Armstrong, Bishop of North and South Dakota.

Bishop Armstrong presented Bishop Muzorewa with three letters of greeting: one from the Youth Council of North Alabama, one from Bishop Charles Golden, resident Bishop of the Los Angeles area and President of the Coun-

cil of Bishops, and one from Senator Geo. McGovern, 1972 Democratic nominee for President of the United States of America, and a United Methodist member.

Bishop Armstrong preached on Christ. He said: We must insist on the centrality of Christ. Jesus was humble and lowly—not like a young Indian Guru who travels like a monarch. He showed love and peace in the midst of violence in his day and in ours. He was good, without sin. It is not enough to know all there is to know; Jesus was good.

Jesus refused to bend the knee to church officials and Rome so they plotted, betrayed and crucified Him. Then Jesus restored humanity to its rightful place. His resurrection means He was the Son of God, living Christ, here and now. Thanks be to God.

The service ended with singing *Ukama Hwe Ukristu.*

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION—WEDNESDAY

January 2, 1974—9:00 a.m.

8. District Superintendents' Report: The report was read by Josiah Chidzikwe. The Conference rose and applauded when the announcement of the United Nations award to Bishop Muzorewa was read. The Conference applauded Webster Mutamba as well. After discussion, the report was received.

9. Board of Pensions and Conference Claimants: The report was read by Josiah Njagu. After discussion it was accepted.

10. Deaconess: The report was read by Deaconess Dorcas Chinofukutwa. It was noted that local preachers must be at least 18 years old and entrants to Epworth must be at least 20 years old.

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION—WEDNESDAY

January 2, 1974—10:30 a.m.

11. Reception into Conference: The names of Lancelot Dikito, Sandah Sanganzah and Julius Tsiga were called by the secretary of the Board of Ministry. Bishop Muzorewa led in prayer and accepted them into the Conference using the ritual questions prescribed by the Discipline. After the candidates had answered, the ministerial mem-

bers of Conference voted to accept them and elected them to the order of Elder.

12. Reception of Ministers on Trial: The names of David Hodzi, Passion Zimonte and Reddson Neshiri were called by the Secretary of the Board of ministry. Bishop Muzorewa led in prayer and accepted them on trial using the ritual questions prescribed by the Discipline. After the candidates had answered, the ministerial members of Conference voted to accept them on trial and elected them to the order of Deacon.

13. Consultation, Continuation Committee: The report was read by Zvomunondita Kurewa. Bishop tabled the report urging members to read the report during lunch to be prepared to discuss it later.

14. Guests: Bishop gave time to Rev. Ndhlela to speak. He introduced Rev. K. Horton and Mr. A. Gawi, fraternal delegates, both of whom spoke briefly on church unity.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS—WEDNESDAY

January 2, 1974.

Zvomunondita Kurewa presided. Rev. Kenneth Choto led in prayer; the Mrewa trio sang. After hymn 258 "Ngatiende Wadikani" Bishop James Armstrong read Romans 1: 16, 17. He preached on "What is the Gospel?" His main ideas were: The Gospel has to do with individual holiness in the world. It is for society in the most demanding crisis it faces. It is for the purity and freedom of people. It makes all people equal in the sight of God. Everything that affects us is important to God, but we are most important. The Gospel is concerned about total human living. The reforms of John Wesley were inspired by the Gospel. It speaks of Christ to the whole world.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION—WEDNESDAY

January 2, 1974—2:00 p.m.

15. Privilege of floor: Bishop read the list again as follows: (Journal 1971 P. 30)

1. Heads of schools (Principals, Headmasters)
2. Executive Secretary of Education.

3. Medical Secretary, Hospital Superintendents.
- 4 Conference Presidents of R.R.W., Vabvuwi, U.M.Y.F.
5. Lay Missionaries.
6. Final Year Theological Students.
7. Directors of Conference Extension Programme.
8. Ex-Officio members of BOFAC and BOFAC Alternates.
9. District Superintendents' wives, Bishop's wife.
10. Director of Communications.
11. Approved Supply Pastors.
12. Officially approved delegates from sister churches.
13. Christian Education Workers.
14. District Lay Leaders.
15. Deaconesses.

16. Board of Ministry Nomination 1974-1976: The following were nominated and elected for this board for the quadrennium:

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| 1. Marcia Ball | 7. Maurice Culver |
| 2. Josiah Kurewa | 8. John Nderere |
| 3. Zvomunondita Kurewa | 9. Fanuel Kadenge |
| 4. Jonah Kawadza | 10. Lovemore Nyanungo |
| 5. Martin Chiza | 11. Thomas Curtis |
| 6. Joseph Bisby | 12. Kare Eriksson, Convener. |

Alternates: Alex Alvord, Johnstone Gurure, John B. Jijita.

FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION—WEDNESDAY
January 2, 1974—4: 00 p.m.

17. Consultation, Continuation Committee: Discussion continued.
The report was accepted.

18. Christian Education: This report was read by Webster Mutamba. Conference applauded the gift of \$100,00 by the U.M.Y.F. and again when they pledged 3/4 of the work budget for 1974. The report was accepted.

SIXTH BUSINESS SESSION—WEDNESDAY
January 2, 1974—7: 30 p.m.

19. Christian Education (Wedding Cake Ceremony): This

report was read by Julius Tsiga. It was referred to Pastors' School.

20. Student Loan: This report was read by Willas Makombe. A long discussion followed about recipients who fail to repay their loans. It was voted to send their names to the Head Office and Education Secretary who would be authorized to take legal action. The report was accepted.

21. Medical Activities: The report was read by Dr. Brian Stone. After discussion it was accepted.

22. Board of Lay Activities: The report was read by Lazarus Mandizha. A ballot was cast for Lay Leader of Conference. Tellers were chosen by Bishop—Dr. Brian Stone, Timothy Gwati, Isaac Musamba, K. Nkumbula, Maxwell Beni and Clement Nyabvure. The report was accepted. William Marima was elected Lay Leader. Nason Kaseke was elected assistant.

23. Appointments: Bishop read the appointments for 1974.

DEVOTIONS—THURSDAY

January 3, 1974—8:00 a.m.

The Mrewa Trio sang, Hymn 295, Ngerudawiro Rwakasimba, which was followed by the reading of Ezekiel 3:4-11. Dr. Zvomunondita Kurewa spoke on the "Faith of Our Fathers." He said that we have not heard much about early African workers who were with the church from the beginning. George Muponda, John Malgas, William Yafele, John Muzonya, Job Tsiga, Isaiah Kashayanyama. He especially mentioned Johannes Chimene and Nehemiah Machakaire. J. Chimene was converted in the Transvaal and preached at Fort Victoria. Nehemiah Machakire, from Muziti, was converted at Salisbury under the Methodist Synod. He built his own church. The fast growth of our church was due to early pastor-teachers whose names are now forgotten. May God send us to our people with the same vision as Clifford Faku who spoke of a "united army to bring light and righteousness to the black nation."

SEVENTH BUSINESS SESSION—THURSDAY

January 3, 1974—8:45 a.m.

24. Board of Education: This report was read by James

Makawa. The report was accepted with the additional motion that Post-Primary school headmasters look into the problem of vocational guidance.

25. Daily Proceedings: The report was read by David Hodzi. It was accepted.

26. Christian Social Concerns Report: The report was read by Sandah Sanganzah. Discussion followed.

EIGHTH BUSINESS SESSION—THURSDAY

January 3, 1974—10:30 a.m.

26. (continued) Christian Social Concerns: Discussion continued. After prolonged discussion it was accepted.

27. Ngariende: The report was read by Rev. Peter B. Mudiwa. Discussion followed.

28. Greetings: The Conference Secretary read greetings from Mr. and Mrs. George Fleshman, Grace Otto, Vivian Otto, Mrs. G.A. Roberts, Mrs. E. Sells and twenty young people from the Youth Council of North Alabama Conference.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS—WEDNESDAY

January 3, 1974

After hymn 44, "Ngatikudze Musiki" was sung, Lovemore Nyanungo led in prayer and a Nyadiri Men's Trio sang "Have a Little Talk with Jesus". Zvomunondita Kurewa presented Bishop James Armstrong, who read from John 10: 19-21, and preached on whether or not Jesus and Christians are mad. Some people of his day insisted he was because: first, he insisted that He and the Father lived in perfect unity. But without our joining with God we take God's prerogatives and destroy ourselves. Second, Jesus insisted love is the most important thing in the world but the opposite is hatred—and where has that led? To the madness of war which has killed innocent people in increasing numbers. In World War I 9% of people killed were not soldiers, in World War II 40%, in the Korean War 80%, in the Vietnam War 90%. War is waste and madness. Racism also is madness—not love which breaks down barriers. Third, Jesus insisted on forgiveness. We do things we don't want to do. Christ will deliver us. We are pursued

by our own misdeeds. Then we hear "Thy sins be forgiven." We have freedom, power, life. Was Jesus mad? Are we? Hymn 292, "Tiri Vavadzani", was followed by the benediction.

NINTH BUSINESS SESSION—THURSDAY

January 3, 1974—2: 00 p.m.

29. Ngariende report continued: The Conference participated in a Ngariende offering. After long discussion, the report was accepted. Our missionary to Botswana, Elias Chikodzi, gave a short report.

30. Shona Language Study: The report was read by Morgan Muchanyereyi. It was accepted.

31. Historical Committee: The report was read by Caleb M'kasa. It was passed.

TENTH BUSINESS SESSION—THURSDAY

January 3, 1974—4: 00 p.m.

32. Task Force: The report was read by Timothy Gwati. The report was accepted.

33. Conference Lay Leader: The report was read by William Marima. Since there was a question over Mtoko/Nyadiri District and Mrewa District figures, the report was temporarily tabled.

34. MRID: The report was read by Dorothy Bisby. After clarification of several items the report was accepted.

MORNING DEVOTIONS—FRIDAY

January 4, 1974—8: 00 a.m.

The devotions started with prayer led by Rev. John Dube, the fraternal delegate from the United Church of Christ. Special music was provided by a trio of Mrewa women. Dr. J.W. Zvomunondita Kurewa based his sermon on Acts 2: 1-4, Romans 8: 9-11. After the singing of Hymn 102, "Uyai Mweya Wakachena", Dr. Kurewa's sermon, "The Holy Spirit is God's Gift to His Church," projected the following main points: The Holy Spirit was given to lead the Church and the people through Christ. Each one of us receives the Holy Spirit because it was given to the Church. The Holy Spirit comes to us in a mysterious way. God has His own

way of leading His church. He speaks to us in the language that we understand. He related the famous story of the coming of the Holy Spirit to Rhodesia in 1918 and its meaning to the early church in Rhodesia. God understands the needs of His children across the world and devises His methods according to these needs. God also devises special ways peculiar to a group of people—the African way is different from the Indian way, American way, European way—they are all different. We have to follow our African way as directed by the Holy Spirit.

ELEVENTH BUSINESS SESSION—FRIDAY

January 4, 1974—8:45 a.m.

35. Conference Lay Leader (continued): William Marima announced the changed figures. The motion by Isaac Mawokomatanda was passed, that the Conference Lay Leader and District Lay Leaders meet together at this Conference and bring the report of Conference Assessments, Ngariende and Botswana projects, which covers us until November 1974. The percentages are to be brought back to this Conference. This motion was rescinded. Julius Tsiga moved, and Conference passed, the following motion: "that we accept the Conference Lay Leader's Botswana report as of April 30, 1973, and money received since that date should not be included in *this report*." This implies it will be included in the report next year. The whole report was passed.

36. Ecumenical Relations: The report was read by Lazarus Mandizha. The report was accepted.

37. Stewardship: This report was read by Charles Miller. He also presented a chart showing several illustrations of circuits who had given far in excess of their previous records. This showed what can be done even in a year of drought. These gifts were made on Harvest Sunday. The report was accepted.

38. Conference Treasurer's Report: Isaac Musamba presented his report. After discussion the report was accepted.

39. Board of Communications and Publications: Morgan Johnson read the first part of the report. It was tabled for the afternoon session.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS—FRIDAY

January 4, 1974

Devotions opened with hymn 193 Ndisawa Rema followed by prayer led by Rev. Jackson Rugayo. Bishop Armstrong preached on "The Christian Life—and How We Get That Way". The ingredients for a Christian Life are in the Sermon on the Mount, especially Matthew 6:19, 20. The marks of a Christian are in the disciplines of Bible Reading, Prayer and Witnessing. The Bishop spoke of his grandparents who exemplified for him the beautiful life of the Christian. Why should we read the Bible? Because God has spoken in it *for* and *through* His children. He provided there the way to live by law, covenant and the revelation of His Son.

Why should we pray? To remember other needs before God and to withdraw time and time again to ask for help. "God, here I am, help!" We pray for His resources in us.

Why bear witness? Because through the Holy Spirit God is with us. Emmanuel! We have His love and grace.

How do we respond to this? By indifference or by "Here am I, send me" and "present yourself" and by "deny yourself, take up your cross daily?"

The Mrewa women's trio closed the service.

THIRTEENTH BUSINESS SESSION—FRIDAY

January 4, 1974—2:00 p.m.

40. Rukwadzano: Before the report was read, Mrs. Maggie Muzorewa presented Bishop Armstrong with a wood carving. The report was read by Mrs. D. Chikosi. The report was accepted, after prolonged discussion of the clubs section. The Rukwadzano sang both before and after the report.

41. Board of Communications, (continued): Dr. Johnson finished reading the report. Dr. Johnson read a greeting from Christopher Mushambi.

FOURTEENTH BUSINESS SESSION—FRIDAY

January 4, 1974—4:00 p.m.

41. Board of Communications, (continued): After explanations the report was accepted.

42. Wabvuwi: The report was read by Stanford Chihwai. The Wabvuwi sang before the report was read. The conference applauded the gift of \$150,00 for Evangelism and the \$50,00 for the Samuel Tsopotsa Scholarship Fund. The report was received.

43. Moto Representative: Mr. Makani from Moto was presented to Conference and spoke briefly about the Moto newspaper.

44. Board of Ministry: The vote was taken whether or not to retain Geofrey Kapanzi on Supernumerary relationship in accord with paragraph 358 of the 1972 Edition of the Discipline of the United Methodist Church. It must have a two-thirds majority vote of full ministerial members of the Annual Conference to be renewed. Two-thirds vote was received to continue his supernumerary relationship with the understanding that it would be investigated this year.

45. Disciplinary Question: Questions number 8-24 were asked by the Bishop and answered by Joseph Bisby, Secretary of the Board of Ministry.

46. Minimum Salary Committee: The report was read by Tafadzwa Nderere. The report was referred back to the commission for further study.

47. Greetings: Greetings were presented from Rev. and Mrs. Hans Anfinson, Bishop Katsande (Christian Marching Church), Deaconess Edith Samudzimu.

48. Gift to our Missionary: At the request of Rev. Chiza, Rev. Peter B. Mudiwa, and Dr. Marshall Murphree, Mrs. M'parutsa presented the conference collection of \$33,52 $\frac{1}{2}$ to our Botswana Missionary, Rev. Elias Chikodzi.

FIFTEENTH BUSINESS SESSION—FRIDAY

January 4, 1974—7: 45 p.m.

49. Committee on Memoirs: Mr. Kuture spoke on the work of Pearl Willis Jones, Mrs. Nyamukapa spoke about Esther Rehm, Miss Ball spoke of Dr. Ruth Bartholomew and Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, and Rev. Eriksson spoke about George Arthur Roberts. Tafadzwa Nderere then read the

report which was accepted by Conference. Candles were lighted in memory of each of the dead.

MORNING DEVOTIONS—SATURDAY

January 5, 1974—8:00 a.m.

After special music by the Mrewa Women's trio, Rev. Mushapaidze led in Prayer. Bishop Armstrong preached on the church to the world and the world to the church. We must relate the values and insights of the church to the world, so that "the world might be saved" —John 3: 16. He told of men throughout the Bible who challenged the authorities of their day with insights from God: Moses, Nathan, Amos, Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Jesus who was accused of treason. But the church has not always lived up to its calling. It has compromised, had unworthy persons, and has failed to take the lead. But if the church is of God, and it is, it will endure. It still represents God. What of the church in Rhodesia? Have all been converted? Take Christ to them and take hope. Christ belongs to you, share Him. They need to know the love of God. 5,300,000 Africans need to know Him. 200,000 whites need to know Him. What is the church in action? It is when Bishop Muzorewa sits down to talk with the Prime Minister. We do NOT HATE. Is the church interested in food? livelihood? clothing? healing? It must be. Bring righteousness and the love of God. There must be no tribal divisions. We must develop all attitudes on the basis of Christ.

SIXTEENTH BUSINESS SESSION—SATURDAY

January 5, 1974—8:45 a.m.

50. Presentation: Bishop Armstrong was presented by Bishop Muzorewa with a shirt in African style sewed by Matilda Jambga. She came forward and helped the Bishop put it on, to the applause of Conference.
51. Church Music Service: Lancelot Dikito read this report. The report was accepted.
52. Ministry to Women: Jane Makawa read the report. The report was accepted.

53. Budget: Thomas Curtis read the report. The budget was accepted.

54. Nominations: Two additional reports were read by Patrick Matsikenyiri. The chair appointed Patron Nyamukapa as delegate to the United Methodist Church Conference of South East Africa.

SEVENTEENTH BUSINESS SESSION—SATURDAY

January 5, 1974—10:30 a.m.

55. Alternate Delegate: Bishop Muzorewa named Josiah Kurewa as alternate to the Conference of the UMC of South East Africa.

56. Board of Ministry: The additional report was read by Joseph Bisby. In addition to investigating the status of Martin Chikanya, Marcia Ball moved, and Conference passed, the motion that the Board of Ministry be responsible for the Pastoral record in the Journal. Evison Mutanga was thanked for his years of service as an Approved Supply Pastor. Conference applauded him. The report was accepted.

57. Conference Statistician: Marshall Murphree read the report. He began by reading Rev. 7: 1-4 showing that the Bible had statistics. The report was received after several clarifications.

58. Commission on Minimum Salary: Tafadzwa Nderere read the report. The report was accepted.

59. Guest: Eliah Saburi was presented to Conference. His work with Conference ended last year but he was not recognized then. Bishop called him forward and he spoke briefly. Conference applauded. Greetings were brought from the Norman Thomas family and P.M. Neshiri of the Gonongono U.M.C.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS—SATURDAY

January 5, 1974

Rev. Gurure led in prayer followed by Hymn 26 "Mbiri Kunashe". Bishop Armstrong spoke of our church as the church of the world. The church must share in the call for peace. He read Ephesians 2: 17-22. A task force has been

organized to lead the church in world peace. This is a quadrennial emphasis. Peace is a dynamic relationship between people to bring love, justice, and righteousness.

What are the enemies of peace? The arms race instead of building schools and hospitals using military power as the only solution to world problems, nation worship and race worship, economic exploitation, racism, self-interest and covetousness.

What are the ingredients of peace? Disarmament, non-violence, crossing national boundaries and using international institutions, global stewardship, recognition of the divine soul of all—the Christ within, repentance from self-interest. All these will counteract the enemies of peace. We must be changed into new creatures.

The Nyadiri men's quartette sang.

EIGHTEENTH BUSINESS SESSION—SATURDAY

January 5, 1974—7: 45 p.m.

60. Board of Urban Ministry: Reddson Neshiri read the report. The report was accepted. The committee on Indigenization of the Church asked for funds to carry on their study. This was referred to BOFAC. The committee to review organizations (See F 2) is appointed as: Josiah Kurewa chairman, Charles Miller, Sandah Sanganzah, William Marima, Martha Mudzengerere and Elliot Jijita. The committee on Indigenization of the Church is appointed as: Zvomunondita Kurewa chairman, James Kamusikiri, Julius Tsiga, Marshal Murphree and Kenneth Choto.

61. Conference Evangelism: Patron Nyamukapa read his report. It was accepted.

62. Temperance: The report was read by Jonathan Maramba. A guide for introducing a Temperance club was attached for information and help but was not read. The report was accepted.

63. Board of Trustees: Darrell Huddleston read the report. It was accepted.

64. Constitution of the Rhodesia Annual Conference: Darrell Huddleston presented the Constitution. Julius Tsiga moved and Conference agreed that the points be taken one

(SEE APPENDIX)

by one for discussion. This was done. On point No. 5 Marshall Murphree said that this one point must conform to the Discipline and we reserve the right to change this if necessary (regarding simply majority for a quorum). On point No. 9 the Annual Conference must be called into session before immovable property is disposed of in order to give direction to the Board of Trustees. Point No. 15 was voted to be changed to — ten members shall constitute a quorum. The Constitution was accepted with these changes.

65. Ministry to Women: The revised report was read by Jane Makawa. The report was accepted.

66. Daily Proceedings: Items 24-39 were presented by David Hodzi. They were accepted.

67. Members, Board of Trustees: Thomas Curtis moved, and conference agreed, that the chair make the nominations and Conference confirm them. The chair called for advice on this (See 73 below).

68. Calendar: Jonathan Maramba presented the calendar. It was accepted.

69. Proposed Constitutional Amendments: Zvomunondita Kurewa presented these from the General Conference, Atlanta, Ga. U.S.A. pertaining to:

(a) Changing "men" to "person", when talking about ministers.

(b) Meeting of General Conference.

(c) The Lay membership of Annual Conference should equal the ministerial membership.

(d) Lay members are now allowed to vote on ministers.

(e) Age limit for delegates to General Conference is deleted, but the delegates must have been full members for four years.

(f) Bishops shall have to agree to their own transfers.

(g) "Bishop" is inserted in place of "his" — a change from a possessive pronoun to a noun.

(h) Changes in the North Eastern (USA) Jurisdiction boundaries.

All these changes were agreed to and accepted.

70. All Africa Council of Churches: It will meet May 11-

24, 1974 at Mindolo, Kitwe, Zambia. We need 3 delegates: one man, one woman, and a third person. Bishop suggested two laymen and one minister. The following were elected: Zvomunondita Kurewa (Julius Tsiga, alternate), Gaylord Kambarami, Dorcas Chinofukutwa, (Matthew Mataranyika and Deborah Chimonyo, alternates.)

71. Bishop's Consultation: From January 27 to February 8 all the Africa Bishops will meet at Blantyre, Malawi. Zvomunondita Kurewa and Jane Makawa are appointed to go as well.

72. Disciplinary Questions: No. 1-7 and 25-34 were asked by the Bishop and answered by the Conference Secretary. Charles Miller was elected Statistician.

73. Board of Trustees: They were appointed and elected as follows: **(SEE APPENDIX)**

Class I Land Agent North, James Makawa, Alec Chibanguza, William Marima.

Class II Land Agent South—No. I, Thomas Curtis, Lazarus Mandizha, Lois Chikosi.

Class III Land Agent South—No. II, John Munjoma, John Shryock, Josiah Kurewa.

Alternates: Dickson Mungazi, Davison Mushapaidze, Susan Dangarembga, Jonah Kawadza, Isaac Mawokomatanda, Caleb M'kasa, Samson Nyakuengama.

74. Closing Motion: Joseph Bisby gave the following motion which was passed: "That the Conference Secretary be empowered to organize and compile the reports and recommendations of this session of the Annual Conference in a proper manner and that this be accepted as the official record of the Conference; and that after the close of services tomorrow the Conference be declared officially over.

Certificate Of The President And The Secretary

This is to certify that this volume of the eighth session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church held at Nyadiri United Methodist Centre, Rhodesia, Dec. 31 1973-Jan. 6 1974, is a complete record of the proceedings and reports (which are published under VI) and as such were adopted by the action of the Conference as its official record.

Abel Tendekayi Muzorewa **President**
Elliot Musumhi **Secretary**

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This is to certify that I, Abel Tendekayi Muzorewa, a Bishop of the United Methodist Church, ordained after election of the Rhodesia Annual Conference,

AS TRAVELLING DEACONS:

David Hodzi, Reddison Neshiri, Passion Zimonte.

AS TRAVELLING ELDERS:

Lancelot Dikito, Sandah Sanganzah, Julius Tsiga.

Monday, December 31 1973- January 6 1974



Part IV

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

A. Organization and Introductory Reports:

1 Who are the Officers of the Conference?

Secretary: Elliot Musumhi.

Statistician: Rev. Charles Miller.

Treasurer: Mr. Isaac Musamba.

2 Is the Annual Conference incorporated? Yes.

(See Constitution, Journal, 1954).

3 Are the officers handling funds bonded? Yes.

4 What is the report of the Programme Committee as to the hours of the session, the bar of the Conference, and the programme? (See the official Conference programme, and the daily proceedings for 31st December, 1973).

5 Who are the members of Boards and Committees? (See Part II, list of Boards and Committees).

6 Who is elected Conference Lay Leader?

Mr. William Marima.

7 What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts, and suggestions for the work of the future? (See District Superintendents' Report).

B. Pertaining to Ministerial Relations:

8 Having made enquiries into the life and character of the ministerial members of the Conference, does the Board on the Ministry recommend that they be continued in the effective ministry? Yes.

9 Who are the Approved Supply Pastors?

Bennet Chidawanyika, Elias Chikodzi, Annual Matambanadzo, Kenneth Mhandu, Kaiboni Nkomo.

10 What approved Supply Pastors now under full appointment are taking the Conference Course of Study?
Kaiboni Nkomo.

11 Who are recommended to take the course of study for Reception (as Probationary members of Conference)

(a) Present Epworth Students:

First year: Josephat Banda, Jairous Mafondokoto

Second year: Lamech Mhasho, James Chikomba

Third year: Christopher Jokomo, Kenneth Mukwindi-dza, Kelvin Mwandira

Fourth year: Elias Mumbiro, Eben Nhiwatiwa

(b) Those in the Conference Course of Study:

Kaiboni Nkomo

12 Who are received as Probationary Members of the Annual Conference?

(a) By transfer? None.

(b) By graduation from Epworth Theological College?

David Hodzi, Reddson Neshiri, Passion Zimonte

(c) Those in the Conference Course of Study? None.

(d) Through reinstatement? None.

13 Who remain Probationary Members? Edward M. Chapatia, Nisbert P. Dziwa, Lazarus E. Kasiyamhuru, Jonathan Maramba, Morgan J. Muchanyereyi, Farai D. Muzorewa.

14 Who on Probation have been discontinued? None.

15 Who are admitted into Full Connection? Lancelot Dikito, Sandah Sanganzah, Julius Tsiga.

16 What Full Members are in Studies? None.

17 What Full Members have completed studies of the Fourth Year? None.

18 Who have been elected and ordained Deacons?

(a) Local Deacons? None.

(b) Travelling Deacons? David Hodzi, Reddson Neshiri, Passion Zimonte.

19 Who have been elected and ordained Elders?

(a) Local Elders? None.

(b) Travelling Elders? Lancelot Dikito, Sandah Sanganzah, Julius Tsiga, (N.B. Franklin Messenger and Micah Chinoda elected 1973 and ordained at Salisbury-Bulawayo District Conference, 8th April, 1973.)

20 Who have had their Conference Membership Terminated?

(a) By voluntary location? Josiah Muziti

(b) By involuntary location? None

(c) By withdrawal? None

(d) By judicial procedure? None

21 What Ministerial Members have died during the year?

- (a) Retired Members of Conference? George A. Roberts
- (b) Active Members of Conference? None
- (c) Retired Approved Supply Pastors? None
- (d) Active Approved Supply Pastors? None

22 What Ministers have retired?

- (a) Members of Conference?

- 1. This year? Nason Chigubu, Daniel Makuto
- 2. Previously? Luke Chieza, Philip Chieza, Samuel Chieza, Josiah Chimbadzwa, Jonah Chitombo, Henry I. James, Silas Kasambira, Benjamin Katsidzira, Hosea Katsidzira, Jonah Machiri, Patrick Machiri, Johnson Maramba, Moses Muparutsa, Enock Munjoma, Thomas A. O'Farrell, Jackson Rugayo.

- (b) Approved Supply Pastors?

- 1. This year? None.
- 2. Previously? Joseph Makuto, Nicholas Muskwe.

23 Who are left without appointment to attend school?

Micah Chinoda, James Feiker, Sanndah Sanganzah, Julius Tsiga, Jotham Usore.

24 What other personal notations should be made?

- (a) Received from other Conferences? None
- (b) Transferred to other Conferences None
- (c) Who have been granted supernumerary relations? Geoffrey Kapenzi
- (d) Who have been granted Sabbatical Leave? None
- (e) Who have been granted disability leave? None
- (f) Who have been given special appointment? See Part V of the Journal.
- (g) Other notations? Correction 1973 Journal Question 19 (b), p. 41, add Jotham Usore (list of elders elected and ordained.)

C. General Business:

25 Have the Secretaries, Treasurers and Statisticians kept their records according to the prescribed form of the Methodist Church? Yes.

26 What is the report of the Conference Statistician? (See Part X at the end of Journal).

27 What is the report of Conference Treasurer? (See Part VI).

28 What is the schedule of minimum salaries for pastors? (See salary scale as adopted by the 1971 Conference, 1971 Journal p. 149).

29 What is the plan and what are the approved claims for the support of the District Superintendents for the ensuing year? (See the Report of the Finance Committee).

30 What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the Conference to be raised for the pastoral support of Conference claimants?

- For Conference claimants? (\$24 per annum).
- For World Service? (Free will offering).
- For Episcopal Fund? (2% of the pastors' cash salary).
- For General Administration? Assessed by membership.
- Central Conference Fund? Assessed by membership.

31 What are the apportionments to this Conference? (See Salary scale).

- For Conference Claimants? Circuit, \$24 per annum.
- Pastor, \$18 per annum.

32 Where shall the next Conference session be held?
Mutambara United Methodist Centre.

33 Is there any other business? No.

34 Where are the preachers stationed for the coming year? (See list of appointments, Part V).

Part V

APPOINTMENTS: 1974

"Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples: baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And remember, I will be with you always to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19, 20.

Moving Date: 15th January, 1974.

January Salary: To be paid by the Circuit or Unit of work where the person was serving in December 1973.

MREWА DISTRICT

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT: Josiah Kurewa
District Women's Work: Mary Kurewa
Chikore-Tanda Circuit: Elisha Kuwana
Headlands Circuit: Fanuel Kadenge
Nhowe Circuit: (Bennet Chidawanyika)

Mrewa North Circuit: Arthur Kanonuhwa
Mrewa South Circuit: Peter Mudiwa
Mrewa East Circuit: Elijah Chimbanga
Mrewa West Circuit: Rudolph Matongo
Maramba-Pfungwe Circuit: Lazarus Kasiyamhuru
Uzumba Circuit: Alfred Katsande

MREWA UNITED METHODIST CENTRE

Howard Memorial Church: Johnstone Gurure
Student Chaplain: Jonah Kawadza
Headmaster: Alec Chibanguza
Deputy Headmaster: G. Murwira
Staff: A. Chibanguza, G. Murwira, B. Mazaiwana, E. Papaya, A. Mansure, R. Matzigkeit*, M. Chaora, C. Muparutsa, J. Mansure, D. Mutize, A. Morford, W. Chinyadza, S. Muparutsa, E. Matzigkeit*, R. Mandizha, J. Kawadza, One to be supplied.
Girls' Boarding Matron and Chaplain: L. Zimonte
Boys' Boarding Director: E. Machiri

MTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT: Josiah Chidzikwe
District Women's Work: Rosemary Chidzikwe
Chiduku North Circuit: John Sakutombo
Chiduku South Circuit: Elia Chitiyo
Gandanzara Circuit: Willie Marara
Inyanga Circuit: Wilson Mawanga
Honde Circuit: Jonathan Maramba
Makoni Circuit: Solomon Zuze
Mundenda-Penhalonga-Odzi Circuit: Samuel Nduna
Nyakatsapa Circuit: Willas Makunike
Rupinda Circuit: David Hodzi
Rusape-Chizawana Circuit: Kenneth Shamu
Rusape Christian Centre: Edith Samudzimu

OLD UMTALI CENTRE

Chairman: Samuel Munjoma
Ehnes Memorial Church: Samuel Munjoma
Associate Pastor and Student Chaplain: Reddson Neshiri
Headmaster: Amon Dangarembga
Deputy Headmaster: D. Chitsenga
Staff: A. Dangarembga, D. Chitsenga, O. Mhere, S. Dangarembga, M. Tsododo, C. Mvere, D. Mungazi, E. Parks, L. Mzambwa, C. Nzara, S. Chigwedere, H. Nyanyiwa, R. Neshiri, C. Kuona, J. Munzvengwa, B. Makanga, S. Mukwekwezeke, A. Munzara, B. Chirobe, A. Mukono, G. Kaitano.
Girls' Boarding Director: David Maenzanise
Matron: Mrs. I. Zisengwe
Boys' Boarding Director: William Marima
Assistant Boys' Boarding Director: C. Dzobo

OLD UMTALI HOSPITAL

Matron: Adrienne Mutasa
Sisters: Adrienne Mutasa, Rudo Kapenzi

MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT: Joseph Bisby*
District Women's Work: Dorothy Bisby*
Chikwizo Circuit: Nisbert Dziwa
Dendera Circuit: (Annual Matambanadzo)
Mtoko East Circuit: Davison Mushapaidze
Mtoko North Circuit: Passion Zimonte
Mtoko South Circuit: Philemon Gurupira
Mtoko West Circuit: Amon Kajese
Nyadiri Circuit: David Mudzengerere
Dendera Development Programme Director: William Finster
Dendera Women's Work: Esther Finster

NYAMUZUWE UNITED METHODIST CENTRE

Centre Circuit: Nason Madzinga
Associate Pastor: Edward Chapata
Headmaster: Josiah Njagu
Deputy Headmaster: S. Nyamugama
Staff: J. Njagu, S. Nyamugama, L. Mandizha, S. Dhliwayo, P. Zvenyika, J. Machakaire, E. Shawe, T. Roberts*, E. Roberts*, M. Taylor, A. Machakaire, M. Jenami, V. Njagu, Two to be supplied.
Boys' Boarding Director: E. Chapata
Girls' Boarding Director: N. Makarau

NYADIRI CENTRE

Chairman: Kenneth Choto
O'Farrell Memorial Church: Kenneth Choto
Assistant Pastor and Student Chaplain: (Epworth Student—Maxwell Chikosi)
Principal, Headmaster, Teacher Training: James Makawa
T.T. Deputy Headmaster: Herbert Katedza
T.T. Staff: J. Makawa, S. Kamusikiri, J.M. Johnson, H. Katedza, I. Jemwa, G. Hoover, M. Kalso, W. Masocha, A.C. Kashambwa, One to be supplied.
Girls' Boarding Director: Mrs. T. Gwati
Boys' Boarding Director: George Kowo

HOSPITAL

Medical Superintendent: Brian Stone*
Doctors: Rosalie Johnson, Brian Stone
Acting Matron: Ruth Lindgren
Sisters: C. Meier, D. Chadoka, A. Stone, R. Lindgren, *Joanna Lynn Knauer, Varena Marti.
Acting Nurses' School Director: Joanna Lynn Knauer
Nurses' School Staff: Margrit Brun, Joanna Lynn Knauer
Administrator: Ben Jambga

SALISBURY-BULAWAYO DISTRICT

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT: Thomas L. Curtis
District Women's Work: Margaret Curtis
Bulawayo Circuit: Lovemore Nyanungo
Deaconness: Dorcas Chinofukutwa

Harare Circuit: Nason Dikanifuwa
Highfield Circuit: Zebediah Marewango
Mabvuku Circuit: Mapipi Mawokomatanda
Associate Pastor: Marcia Ball
Mangula Circuit: Samuel Mukangara
Deaconess (part-time): Mrs. Mukangara
Marandellas Circuit: (Kaiboni Nkomo)
Midlands Circuit: Lancelot Dikito
Mufakose-Bindura Circuit: John Nderere
Salisbury Inner-City Chaplain: To be supplied
Dentist (Salisbury): Margret Nelvig

UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT: John B. Jijita
District Women's Work: Ennetta Jijita
Marange North Circuit: Caleb Mukasa
Marange West Circuit: (Kenneth Mhandu)
Marange South Circuit: Samson Nyakuengama
Marange Central Circuit: Jairus Masenda
Zimunya North Circuit: Samuel Muzulu
Zimunya South Circuit: Davidson Chikosi
Mutambara East Circuit: Thomas Mvenge
Mutambara West Circuit: Josiah Makande
Mutambara South Circuit: J. Morgan Muchanyerei
Miller Memorial Circuit: Elliot Jijita
Associate Pastor: Webster Mutamba, Adriano Ngulele
Assistant Pastor: (Epworth Student—L. Dzariyahenya)
Director of United Methodist Christian Centre: Webster Mutamba
Staff: Sue Messenger
Umtali Girls' Hostel: Mrs. A. Leiknes

MUTAMBARA UNITED METHODIST CENTRE

Chairman: Martin Chiza
Centre Church: Martin Chiza
Associate Pastor and Student Chaplain: Farai Muzorewa
Headmaster: Oliver Musuka
Deputy Headmaster: C. Chikukwa
Staff: O. Musuka, W. Kodzai, R. Mariga, C. Chikukwa, D. Moyana, M. Beta, T. Mawoyo, E. Mukonde, W. Banda, S. Mashingaidze, D. Muzorewa, L. Mareya, R. Sisimayi, S. Hervold, T. Chitsiku, E. Nyamaropa, H. Mawokomatanda, P. Kangara.
Boarding Director: M. Mataranyika
Matron: Mrs. I. Mashaya

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT: Don Rudy
Doctor: Don Rudy
Matron: Margit Johannson*
Sisters: Barbara Wilson, Rosemary Musimbo

SUNNYSIDE SECONDARY SCHOOL:

Headmistress: Irene Chitsiku
Staff: R. Nyika, S. Mhlanga, Mrs. M. Chikuruwo, M. Kapfumvuti, E. Chipere, E. Musere, J. Mutepfa.

CONFERENCE EXTENSION

Conference Evangelist: Patron Nyamukapa (Nyadiri Centre Q.C.)
Conference Director of Christian Education and Youth Work:
Lamech Zhungu (Ehnes Memorial Q.C.)
Assistant: Asbjorn Leiknes (Miller Memorial Q.C.)
Conference Director of Stewardship: Charles Miller
Director of Publicity and Promotion: John Schevenius
Land Agent, South 1 (Old Umtali and Nyakatsapa): Lennart Blomquist (Nyakatsapa Q.C.)
Land Agent, South 2 (Mutambara, Glenada and Arnoldine): Darrell Huddleston (Miller Memorial Q.C.)
Land Agent North: William Finster
Conference Ranching Programme: Denford Chimbanganda
Church Music Service: Patrick Matsikenyiri
UMBOWO Editor: Stanford M'kasa
Manager, Rhodesia Mission Press: Caleb Zisengwe
Manager, Market Square Book Room: Marcia Ball

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Administrative Assistant to the Bishop: Kare Eriksson
Administrative Secretary to the Bishop: Pat Fulmer
Executive Secretary, Board of Education, and Manager of Primary Schools on Mission Lands: Alex Alvord
Executive Secretary, Board of Medical Activities: Donald Rudy
Assistant Secretary: Brian Stone
Arnoldine/Glenada Development: Darrell Huddleston* (Miller Memorial Q.C.)
Dr. and Mrs. Norman Thomas: Mindolo Ecumenical Centre, Kitwe, Zambia.
Director of Historical Research and Archivist: To be supplied
Correspondent, RESPONSE: Pat Fulmer
Conference Auditor: Franklin Messenger (Miller Memorial Q.C.)
Conference Building Inspector: John Schevenius
World Division of the Board of Global Ministries, Director of Budgets: Hunter Griffin
Maun Secondary School: Vivian Otto, Grace Otto
Pastorate, Southern Illinois Conference: Ovid Stine
Conference Treasurer: Isaac Musamba
Field Treasurer: John Shryock
Shona Language Study:

MISSIONARIES TO BOTSWANA

- (1) Maun Secondary School: George Fleshman, Headmaster
Staff: Flora Fleshman
- (2) Pastor, Tati Circuit, Botswana: (Elias Chikodzi) (Seconded to United Congregational Church of Southern Africa)

ECUMENICAL APPOINTMENTS

Epworth Theological College: Rev. and Mrs. K. Eriksson, Dr. and Mrs. M. Culver, Dr. and Mrs. John W. Zvomunondita Kurewa.
University of Rhodesia Professor of Race Relations: M.W. Murphree
University of Rhodesia Joint Chaplain to United Methodist and Methodist Students: (part-time): John W. Zvomunondita Kurewa
Executive Secretary, Bible Society in Malawi: Dennison Nyamurowa
Bible Society of Rhodesia, Distribution Manager: John Munjoma

* MISSIONARIES ON FURLough

Mr. and Mrs. Tudor Roberts (January); Mr. and Mrs. Everett Matzigkeit (1st term); Rev. and Mrs. Hans Anfinsen, Rev. and Mrs. John Kaemmer, Dr. and Mrs. Milton Kalso (2nd term); Sister Ruth Lindgren (2nd term); Sister Margit Johannson (3rd term); Rev. and Mrs. Darrell Huddleston (2nd term), Dr. and Mrs. B. Stone (3rd term); Rev. and Mrs. J. Bisby (2nd term).

EPWORTH THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS

First year: Josephat Banda, Jairos Mafondokoto

Second year: Lamech Mhasho, James Chikomba

Third year: Christopher Jokomo, Kenneth Mukwindidza, Kelvin Mwandira

Fourth year: Elias Mumbiro, Eben Nhlwatiwa

Part VI

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

District Superintendents' Report

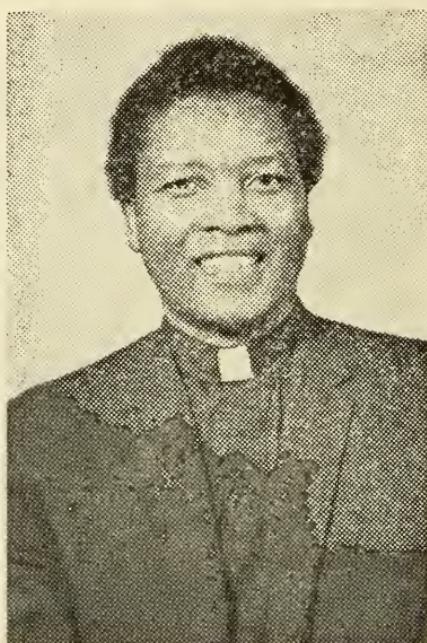
"Seeing then that we have been entrusted with this commission, which we owe entirely to God's mercy, we never lose heart." 2 Corinthians 4:1

As we complete the end of our first year of the present quadrennium, we "never lose heart" though the way has not been easy. Among our blessings for this past year was the opportunity for an educative tour by two of our District Superintendents and three District Superintendents' wives. This consisted primarily of a training programme worked out for them in the United States for a period of about six months. The districts concerned are to be congratulated for the fine manner in which they operated under the leadership of their District Lay Leaders and others in the absence of their Superintendents. Such opportunities help widen the experiences of both those away and those who must take over in the absence of those normally in charge. These persons returned with renewed minds and spirits and with an eager desire to put into practice that which was learnt during training. The District Conferences were strengthened through these experiences.

In all Districts the Conferences were inspired by the devotional and spiritually uplifting messages of Bishop Muzorewa, Rev. K. Eriksson and others. We are grateful that they have been diligent in filling large numbers of requests for speaking engagements. We must note for

purpose of record that Wesley Church Rusape chose by vote of members to withdraw from the United Methodist Conference in February of this year and have formed a community Church.

A sense of revival has moved through the Conference during the year. Much credit is due to the spirit of God moving through our Bishop, who served as the evangelical pastor at many of the meetings in both the towns and at the mission centres and at the Joint R.R.W, Wabvuwi and



Rev. J.I. Kurewa — D.S. Mrewa District

U.M.Y.F. revival held at Nyadiri Campground. We feel these meetings have resulted in a revitalized United Methodist Church.

Appreciation should be expressed to the Conference Workers who have striven to reach as many persons and places as possible during the year despite limited budgets.

Increasing costs within the country and diminishing funds from overseas have forced the Rhodesia Annual Conference to take a second look at their financial position. Such efforts resulted in Quarterly Conference discussions

and District Consultations and finally culminated in conference - wide Consultation on Financial Crisis and Stewardship Opportunity held in September at Old Umtali. The meeting was inspirational both in concept and programme, the attendance was good and representation covered the entire conference. Perhaps an important fact was that each individual cared for his own expenses and consequently was eager to gain as much from the meetings as possible.

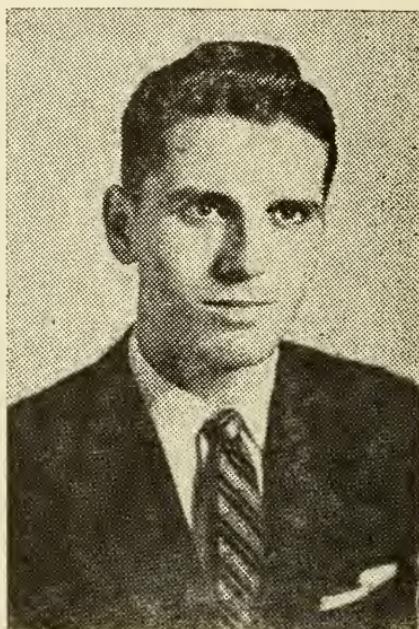
Our thanks are given to the planning committee. A better understanding of the financial organization of the church and a better appreciation of each individual's responsibility toward the church was gained. A resultant effect has been a united effort to become self-supporting. In nearly all districts improvement in pastoral support has been seen, and though much room is left for improvement, praise should be given the laity for this strong effort. A second effect has been in the construction of church buildings in several districts without asking for help from overseas. There have been a number of such buildings completed recently, and others which have received aid have also been built while others are still under construction. Such hard work indicates the spirit of the "people called Methodists."

Another result has been the organization of Christian businessmen where the response has been quite encouraging.

In line with this, other activities of the church have also been continued despite lack of supporting funds. In several districts, pastors' schools and training refresher courses were held. Each District also carried on with a self-supported lay-training programme under the leadership of the Conference and District Lay Leaders, as well as extension workers and Dr. Kurewa of the Epworth Staff.

Education in this conference for a number of years has been synonymous with George Fleshman. During his tenure as Education Secretary we have seen our United Methodist schools grow both in number and in quality. The calibre of teachers continued to improve and the number of school students finishing each year set a high standard

in the country. He worked diligently to accomplish these results and though we see his leaving with regret, it is appropriate that with his departure the conference has been granted the Form VI toward which he worked for a number of years. We rejoice with Old Umtali in the granting of our first lower sixth form. Later in the year the Conference was distressed by the news that although Nyadiri T.T. was to be given an additional stream for 1974, they were at the same time notified that this would be the last class. After much hard work on the part of Mr. Fleshman, the Principal at Nyadiri and the Staff of the Teacher



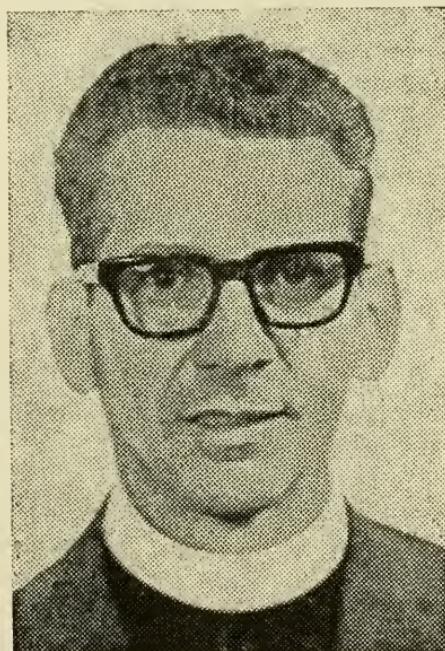
Rev. T. Curtis D.S. — Salisbury-Bulawayo District

Training school, we recently learned that Nyadiri Teacher Training College would be allowed to continue. We hope that the fine quality of staff and teaching will result in the continued operation of this institution, of which we are proud.

Our clinics and hospitals continue to be a source of help to the injured, the sick and the orphaned. The dedicated efforts of the nurses and doctors continue to attract patients to our United Methodist institutions. In spite of the latest class were very encouraging. We congratulate the

hospitals on the implementation of the Board of Governors in an effort to hear the opinions of the local communities concerning the operation of United Methodist hospitals. Through these institutions some individuals have had their School has continued and the examination results of the loss of Sister Esther Rehm, the Medical Assistants Training first contact with the Christian Gospel, a message of love and concern.

The political stalemate within the country continues to plague us. Restrictions upon meetings make it difficult to have an informed public and other restrictions cause dif-



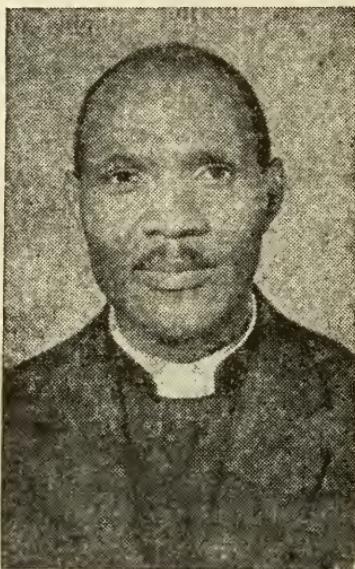
Rev. J. Bishy D.S. — Mtoko-Nyadiri District

ficulties. We were disturbed by the detention of our brothers, Rev. Chikosi and Rev. Webster Mutamba, and rejoice that he has been returned to us. His attitude has been that of a Christian gentlemen as he expresses his appreciation for the experience, though it was certainly not an easy one.

We deplore the continuing action by the Government of Rhodesia in refusing to renew residence permits of some of our United Methodist Missionaries and others, and by

the declaration of others as prohibited immigrants. The loss of Dr. and Mrs. Norman Thomas and the Rev. and Mrs. Larry George during the year was a severe blow to the church. Our love and prayers follow them in their new work.

We re-affirm our support of Bishop Abel T. Muzorewa in his continued efforts to work for the emancipation of the whole man, regardless of race, creed or nationality. We rejoice in the honour which he has brought to himself and our church by the recent award given him by the Human Rights Committee of the United Nations Organization. Bishop Muzorewa was selected as one of six persons in the world to receive an award for "Outstanding Achieve-



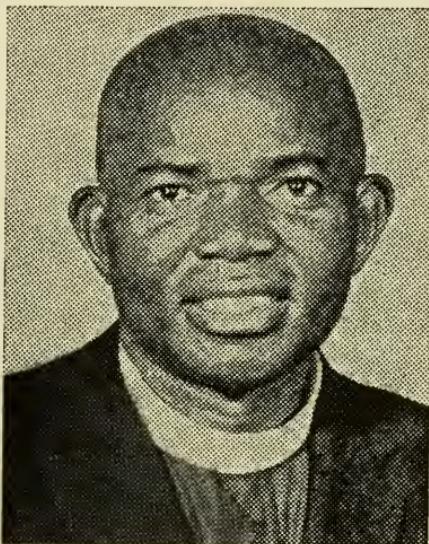
Rev. Chidzikwe — D.S. Mtasa-Makoni District

ments in the Field of Human Rights". Such continued efforts are bound to result in ultimate change for the better. We pray for this and pledge ourselves to continue to set an example by pressing for the relief from poverty, oppression, injustice and all other evils of our present society.

We would reiterate to you, the laity of the church, your importance. More and more the importance of *your* witness and influence become apparent in the life of a working church. We urge you as delegates to this Conference to carry the word to the people in the circuits and churches

which you have been elected to represent. The task is a difficult one, but you are the key link in the chain which binds us to the local individual members, the backbone of the church. We know, that once you see the importance, we can depend upon you.

At the same time we commend the work of the pastor. The work in the fields is heavy, the physical rewards rather sparse and the labourers few. Nevertheless, the pastors continue to work without "losing heart". Where



Rev. J.B. Jijita D.S. — Umtali South District

this has been done we see results—an increase in attendance, a rededication to church obligations, and an improvement in carrying the financial support of the church.

May we close by asking each person within the church to work towards the quadrennial goals set forth last year, namely:

1. A personal commitment to Christ and His Church.
2. An evangelistic thrust throughout all areas of the Conference.
3. A renewed effort in Christian Education.
4. A more committed endeavour towards self-support and Christian stewardship.
5. A move towards Christian reconciliation.
6. Continue to lift up the whole man in our society.

These goals we have set for ourselves are high. We must put forth much effort to attain them, but we are not in the task alone. We have the Master at our side.

"So let us never tire to doing good, for if we do not slacken our efforts we shall in due time reap our harvest." Galatians 6: 9.

Board of Pensions and Conference Claimants

Recommendations.

1. We recommend that five ministers still owing contributions to the Pension Fund after June 30, 1973 be notified by letter that the years of non-payment are now considered lost years.

2. We recommend that the Conference Treasurer calculate pensions payable to the following retired ministers, Rev. Daniel Makuto and Rev. Nason Chigubu.

3. We recommend that the following new ministerial members of Annual Conference, D. Hodzi, R. Neshiri and P. Zimonte be accepted as members of the Pension Scheme.

4. Members of the Ministers' Pension Fund left without appointment to study will normally have their personal and church contribution paid by the Rhodesia Annual Conference. However, each individual case will be reviewed every year by the Board of Pensions at Annual Conference. Should the member, upon completion of studies, decide not to return to take up work or appointment by Bishop, the question of premiums paid to the Pension Fund for him by the Annual Conference shall be taken up for decision by the Board of Pensions. This recommendation rescinds recommendation number 4 of Board of Pensions and Conference Claimants report 1973.

5. Finally, we recommend that the accepted Supply Pastors Relief Fund deficit balance of \$158,80 be referred to the next BOFAC meeting.

Kare Eriksson (Chairman)

Josiah Njagu (Secretary)

Deaconess Committee

RECOMMENDATIONS: -

1. We urge pastors, R.R.W., U.M.Y.F., Conference Evangelist and Conference Christian Education Director to include on their programmes the importance of having women and girls join the Ministry as a profession, to start training at 18.

2. We urge Quarterly Conferences to accept young girls as local preachers as a preparation for qualification for joining the ministry.

Rosemary Chidzikwe (Chairwoman)
Dorcas Chinofukutwa (Secretary)

Christian Education: Composite Report

A. Lay - Training North

Our laymen have a strong desire for Methodist Theology, history and the techniques of sermon construction. It is a challenge to this Conference to write the material that will help our local preachers and other Church-leaders.

As a follow up the books that were recommended by Conference for reprinting last year have not been printed due to lack of funds. We therefore recommend that: -

1. This Conference consider means and ways of reprinting the desperately needed material.
2. That more women and the youth be encouraged to take up local preachers's licences.

B. LAY- TRAINING AND TRAINING OF LOCAL PREACHERS, SOUTH

The Annual Conference has now had this work of training the Local Preachers and other lay workers in the church for the third year in succession, and I think it is right to say that an improvement in the work of our Local Preachers has been noticed.

From the beginning of the Conference year, I was given the task of keeping the work of the Education Secretary going while Mr. Fleshman went on an emergency furlough. I was, however, able to arrange for several lay-training courses during the time I was responsible for that work,

and the weekly Bible studies at Hilltop Church was kept up.

Several encouraging events have taken place during the year, and I take this opportunity to thank both ministers and laymen who did such splendid work in preparing for the courses at the various stations. At one place I was surprised to see Christians from different denominations in the area coming to our Bible studies and taking an active part in our discussions. On the Saturday evening there were close to 1000 people gathered and the Spirit of God was active among us. These are signs that God is on His Throne and we must be thankful for this. A better coordination of the work in the different districts is desirable. Quite a number of times I have had to cancel arrangements due to conflicting plans for other meetings being held at same place and times. I do hope that we can find an opportunity here at the Conference to put this matter right.

During the year I have been able to finish a manuscript for a Local Preachers' manual. I hope that this can be presented to the proper committee immediately so that much needed material can be made available for the Local Preachers.

During the year I have been able to help in distributing literature to our people, especially the new edition of the hymnbook. I am thankful that God has added His blessing to this work and may He do so in the future.

A. Leiknes

C. THE CONFERENCE YOUTH WORK REPORT

"If the son makes you free then you will be really free"
(John 8: 31-36)

The development of our Youth Work will be affected by the present state of the country in which it is being carried on. The injustices, suppression, discrimination, humiliation, unemployment and racialism are great hindrances to the progress of this young generation. Peaceful development is only possible when all people feel that they are respected as individuals and that their voices are adequately heard. This feeling of frustration which is felt by adults now, will inevitably be reflected in the attitude their children adopt.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING AND REVIVALS

In the entire Conference, 302 young people were trained in the following subjects: stewardship, what is expected of youth in the church and society, duties of U.M.Y.F. leaders and their advisors, Programme Areas of U.M.Y.F. work, Bible and our Decisions, reporting the work of the church, how U.M.Y.F. can co-operate with the church, purpose of higher education, how African Councils are formed and run, temperance and instructional information on the running of the organization. There is a great awakening in the leadership of youth among themselves and keenness to work. The two Southern Districts of our Conference had good separate revival meetings. The method of joining youth and adults at the Camping Revival Meetings, should be well planned or else it should be discouraged for the sake of promoting behaviour.

The Conference Youth General Meeting showed much improvement on the matter of fund raising through Rupau subscriptions. I, therefore ask assistance from Circuit Pastors and advisors to help youth in the contribution of funds to the Conference Youth Treasury. The existence of this organization depends largely on the initiative of Youths themselves and in the implementation of what has been learned in the Leadership Training held last year, while the adults continue the role of encouraging them to meet the goals set to be accomplished. I congratulate youth on their willingness to stretch a hand to help in the Conference Money Crisis by one hunndred dollar (\$100,00) and by pledging to meet two-thirds of their Director's work budget.

OUR WORK AS A CHURCH TO THE YOUTH

1. Young people must be convinced about their faith in Jesus Christ.
2. Every Ministry should use the church as a reality to eternal life.
3. Younng people must be supplied with material that will revive their souls, build their characters and make them seek the best out of the church's ministry.

4. Bring church services down to earth and make them relevant to the situation.

5. Churches must be evangelical in every sense—presenting the Gospel to youth and preparing them for the coming World Year of Evangelism 1975.

6. Overall, to develop flexibility — a willingness and ability to experiment, to be ready to ditch all old methods when necessary in order to move into different ways of doing things. This seems absolutely essential in our present situation of rapid change.

7. The church must now begin to look for a new generation to emerge that will be young, strong, and free, that will not be content to sit back and wait for the government to provide for all our needs.

8. The church must take youth work as serious business not as an optional one and associate these youths with people of great vision, inspiration, insight, high moral character, sympathy and of great courage.

BIG THANK YOU

I wish to express deep appreciation to Rev. O. Stine who was the Principal of Maun Secondary School for his whole hearted co-operation with Mr. J. Schevenius, the acting principal at that time for inviting me with a group of U.M.Y.Fers and the Conference Evangelist, Rev. P. Nyamukapa, to Maun Secondary School for Evangelism among the students. God led us well and fulfilled the purpose of the journey and, at the same time a Missionary zeal among the youth who went and remained there is being felt. Long live our BOFAC which on behalf of the Conference, released the Jeep which carried us without any charge for the trip.

RECOMMENDATION WITHIN YOUTH WORK

1. That the youth Emphasis month be May 1974.
2. That Secondary Schools take interest in forming Temperance clubs as it helps students in their moral conduct. Visual aids must be freely used in these clubs.
3. That Youth Centres be established in the rural areas for the benefit of school leavers.

4. That young people be guided in choosing their life work according to their talents and ability to do the work. And that parents and teachers assume more responsibility in giving such guidance.

5. That leaders of the church take great steps in educating young people on the preparation of marriage *for life*.

E. Jijita

D. U.M.Y.F. REPORT TO THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Our U.M.Y.F gives thanks to the speakers on the following topics on Conference level: the purpose of Education and its problems, Youth and self-support and marriage-preparation hints. We also give our thanks to those who participated in the U.M.Y.F. as helpers throughout the year.

U.M.Y.F. had a successful General Meeting at Bondamakara from the 7th to 13th December 1973. Out of 48 circuits 35 were present and 40 delegates made the Conference, including the District Presidents. The Theme of the Conference was, "The Church at Work."

Since U.M.Y.F. embarked on Rupawo it is encouraging to learn that most of our circuits are now improving in this contribution to the conference although at the same time some are still neglecting it. We appeal to all you pastors and the Conference to please go and encourage the boys and girls to support their organisation financially. Rupawo being our only source of raising money on Conference level, we have managed to put a substantial amount in the bank. We now have \$319 in the bank; we agreed that each circuit contributes \$2 each year as project fee. This will be used for any project set up by the Conference itself.

It was pleasing to hear that most of our circuits were able to achieve their 1973 projects. Some stations were able to buy a clock for local church use.

We were able to pay \$100 as our contribution to the Conference Treasury. In our U.M.Y.F. we had 145 Christian marriages. We are pleased to report that some of our U.M.Y.F members were able to share the word of God with the boys and girls in Botswana at Maun Secondary over Easter holidays.

PROBLEMS

It is becoming a problem each year when we have delegates reporting that they didn't have U.M.Y.F. Sunday. We would like to remind all our pastors to remind the youth of the U.M.Y.F. Sunday and to give them chance to give their testimonies and programme on U.M.Y.F. Sunday which is even shown on the Conference Calendar.

We give tribute to all pastors, advisors everywhere and the Youth Director. It is very pleasing to see that there is tremendous advancement in our youth Spiritually, Socially, Morally and in personal private life and in the entire planning of the organisation and running of the U.M.Y.F. We believe this has been so because of the hard work, devotion, concentration and sacrifice of our Youth Director. The entire U.M.Y.F. Conference has a great feeling and need for another such service by a Director. Boys and girls everywhere have a feeling that without someone to give special attention to the needs of youth our life will turn dull.

We sympathise with our church in the shortage of funds which will soon end in our losing a man or woman who may work with us on a full time basis. This means more work for our pastors to take the greatest and closest supervision of the boys and girls. However, because we feel the great need for a director we are prepared to pledge three-quarters of youth director's work budget for 1974 and forward despite the fact that we have a very thin treasury.

We hope our mother, the Conference, will do something for us.

*Deborah Chimonyo (Secretary)
Ernest Mupfunya (President)*

E. OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1. We recommend that 1971 Makokorodzano to be used this year of 1974 with a different colour for the back.
2. We recommend that the following be used this year of 1974 for Sunday School: "Jesu Mwanakomana waMwari,"

"Simba Riri Muupenyu Hwe uyo anofamba naJesu," "Zvidzidzo zvekuVafiripi."

3. When we prepare church material we should be concerned with the different age groups (Children, Youth and Adults) and not have the material based on Church membership (probationers and full members.) Material should be person - centred.

4. The extension workers should provide the material that the circuits need. They should assist ministers with new techniques of presentation of the material thus provided.

5. That all church organization and activity is subject to the minister's jurisdiction. The minister is not just part of the organization.

6. As a way of strengthening the Christian Education Committee and to enable a portion of this Committee to function during the year, it is proposed that the chairman, vice chairman, secretary and Director of Christian Education constitute the executive. They can function during the year and seek to enact the proposals adopted by Conference.

7. That in recognition of the constructive and fruitful work of the former director of Home and Family Life, Mr. E. Saburi, a letter of appreciation be sent on behalf of the Annual Conference by the Conference Secretary expressing our gratitude and assuring him that his service is remembered.

Rhodesia Annual Conference Student Loan Fund Report

Our student Loan Fund continues to give valuable help to needy students in the 2nd and 3rd years of their teacher training. During 1973 six students all at Nyadiri T.T. College received loans.

The general policy continues to be: to grant loans only to second and third year students.

1. Payments:

(a) Since the rate at which payments are coming is rather discouraging, the Student Loan Fund Committee

has, therefore, decided to send a circular letter to all people owing money but paying badly or not paying at all to remind them of their obligation.

(b) The Committee instructed the treasurer to keep in constant contact with all school managers of our debtors and seek their cooperation in helping to recover this money.

(c) The Committee would like to remind the district treasurers to send student loan fund contribution directly to the treasurer.

2. We recommend that 30th June 1974 be observed as Student Loan Fund Sunday.

3. Loans approved for 1974 (all students at Nyadiri T.T. College):

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| (a) Ellen Sisimayi T3-3 | \$60,00 |
| (b) Lovemore Chigumira T3-3 | 40,00 |
| (c) George Nyawasha T3-2 | 80,00 |
| (d) Cain Katiyo T3-3 | 60,00 |
| (e) Joshua Kawadza T3-3 | 80,00 |
| (f) Tembinkosi Siwela T3-3 | 40,00 |
| (g) Kemsley Magoba T3-3 | 40,00 |
| (h) Moline Mashaire T3-2 | 40,00 |
| (i) Itai Matambanadzo T3-3 | 40,00 |
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| | \$480,00 |
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Treasurer's unaudited report as of 31st December 1973

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| 1. Money received | |
| A. From Student Loan Recipients | \$116,95 |
| B. Contributions from Churches | |
| Mtoko-Nyadiri District | \$1,46 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total received | \$118,41 |
| | <hr/> |
| 2. Total Paid out | |
| (Nyadiri T.T. Students) | \$245,00 |
| (Travel-to change Bank Account from | |
| Kalso to Katedza | \$16,00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$261,00 |

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|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| 3. Brought Forward from last year | \$1556,44 |
| 4. Money in account | 1556,44 |
| | 118,41 |
| | _____ |
| | 1674,85 |
| | —261,00 |
| | _____ |
| | 1413,85 |
| | _____ |

5. Amount due from recipients \$1189,48

Recipients who fail to repay the Loan would be referred to Head Office who would authorize the Education Secretary to place the matter in the hands of lawyers.

*Chairman—Newton Chiwara
 V. Chairman—Titus Chitanda
 Secretary—Willas Makombe
 Treasurer—Herbert Katedza*

Proposed letter to be circulated:

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH STUDENT LOAN

REMINDER No.

Dear Mr/ Miss/ Mrs

The payment of the sum of owed to the Student Loan Fund by you is now overdue. Please make your payments now.

Signed
 Treasurer

Christian Social Concerns Report

Our recommendations are all in keeping with our Christian and Social Principles as enunciated in the Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church (1973 Journal, page 86).

1. We would therefore like to reiterate recommendations 1 to 3 and 5 of the Christian Social Concerns Report as contained in the 1973 Journal (p 87-88).
2. In view of the continuous North-Eastern border conflict, we wish to make it known to the authorities that a fair and just settlement is the only answer to avoid further loss of blood.
3. (a) We would like to draw the attention of the Conference to the wanton detentions and deportations that have been metted out to Rev. W. Mutamba, Dr. Thomas' Family, the Georges and many others and that these are the signs of a sick society.
(b) May we still remind individual members of the Conference that tangible support is still very vital for the happiness of our detained friends and their families.
4. We strongly urge all our people to re-register as voters.
5. University of Rhodesia Disturbances: This committee is still very concerned about the bannings and fact trials that were carried out on the University of Rhodesia students. Because the future of these students has been crippled, we urge this Conference to help in the best way possible.
6. (a) We sincerely congratulate our Bishop for the recent award given him by the Human Rights Committee of the United Nations Organization.
(b) We further urge that this Conference through the Administrative Assistant to the Bishop request the authorities to restore our Bishop's travelling documents to enable him to collect his award from the United Nations as well as for his general use as the possession of a passoprt is the normal privilege of a citizen.
7. Talks: We urge the A.N.C. to continue with the current talks and applaud them for their wisdom and unity, and hope that a deadline for these talks be established.
8. Cholera: We would like to sympathise with the cholera-stricken victims and hope that more free vaccinations be given by the Ministry of Health. We thank Nyadiri Hospital and all those who helped in the Cholera situation.

9. School Leavers: We urge the Conference to establish a boys' school similar to Sunnyside.
10. Christian Social Concerns Week: We propose that the C.S.C. Week be the 18th-24th March, 1974, emphasizing that more prayer meetings be held during this week.

G. Kambarami (Chairman)

S. Sanganza (Secretary)

Archives and Historical Research Report

1. We regret that the services of the Conference Archivist could not be retained on account of shortage of funds. We wish to express our deep gratitude to Mr. Machuma for the invaluable work he did for the church while he was Conference Archivist.
2. We recommend that Cabinet looks at the entire question of the Archives.

3. We recommend that the facilities of the Archives be made available to Historical Clubs in our post primary schools. Cabinet is asked to look more closely into its functioning.

C. Mukasa (Secretary)

Board of Lay Activities

1. We urge all the United Methodist Pastors to see that every Church in our Conference has a Membership and Evangelism Committee. The Pastor and this Committee should carefully scrutinize and follow-up the out-going and in-coming members of the church. The Pastor and the committee should be strict to see that no member is accepted into any church records without a written transfer from the previous church. We also urge that the entire membership roll be examined yearly, or as often as possible.

2. We ask the Conference to allow the Board of Lay Activities to have an assistant Conference Lay Leader, as is now the case with District Lay Leaders who have assistants.

3. Nominations for Conference Lay Leader and the

Assistant Conference Lay Leader (voting should be done separately):

- a. Mr. W. Marima
- b. Mr. N. Kaseke

*William Marima (Chairman)
Lazarus Mandizha (Secretary)*

Board Of Education

1. *Membership*: The Conference Journal of 1973, page 13, item 2, shows members of the Board of Education listed by act of Conference. Apparently, the Education Secretary was omitted from the list. We therefore request the Committee on Nominations to include him as a member of the Board. Provision was made for the Administrator of Sunnyside to be a member. Since this post no longer exists, "Administrator of Sunnyside" should be struck from the report.

2. We are happy to report the following developments that have taken place in our Conference:-

(a) Hartzell High School was granted permission to open a Sixth Form at the beginning of this year. The Headmaster reports that plans are underway to prepare for the opening of the first class of about 30 students.

(b) Nyadiri Teacher Training College has been allowed to continue with the expansion begun in January, 1973. By 1975 the College will have double streams right through the third year.

c. *Expansion*:

Hartzell High School has three streams from Form I to Form IV now.

Mutambara will have a third stream of Form II in 1974. Nyadiri T.T. continues its expansion.

Application forms have gone into the Ministry for:-

A Sixth Form in 1975 at Mrewa High School and Additional Form I classes at Mrewa and Nyamuzuwe so that the institutions will have three streams like Mutambara and Hartzell.

3. *Needs:*

(a) Sunnyside Secondary School (F2) is in desperate need of dormitories for girls who are walking from Mutambara daily. The expansion at Mutambara is making it impossible for the secondary school to continue providing accommodation for Sunnyside students. We therefore urge Conference and any interested bodies to provide funds for the construction of the needed dormitories at Sunnyside. The Board wishes to put on record its gratitude to Mutambara for helping Sunnyside out of a difficult situation. However, we note with appreciation the good news that the Christian Council of Rhodesia is providing \$18 000,00 for a dormitory for Sunnyside.

(b) \$7 070,00 has come to Hartzell from the Beit Trustee for the construction of a Science Laboratory. We understand R\$17 400,00 is coming from the United States for building and equipment. The Headmaster reports that more money is needed for a second Science Laboratory for Form VI.

(c) Nyadiri Teacher Training College needs money to:-

(i) Remodel the old dorms in use at present.

(ii) Build a multi-purpose hall that can also serve as a central dining hall like the one at Waddilove.

(iii) Build two additional classrooms.

(d) The proposed expansion for Mrewa and Nyamuzuwe will call for additional funds.

4. *The Churches' College, Salisbury: Progress Report:*

The Board of Education regrets to inform Annual Conference that "the Government has moved away from the idea of church-governed central colleges." The Secretary for African Education reiterated that the Government is "not enamoured" of such a scheme and would not provide ANY financial support. Meanwhile the Secretary is concentrating on a select number of existing institutions with a view to building up their efficiency, quality, and prestige. The Government has already stated its firm intention to build its own central college in Gwelo and to expand Umtali Teachers' College.

5. *Recommendations:* In the light of these new developments, we recommend that:

(a) the concept of a Salisbury Council trying to establish a Salisbury Churches' College not be abandoned, as we are convinced that church colleges are important for the Christian character training which they give to teachers;

(b) our church apply for membership in the United College of Education Programme, Bulawayo to enable us to participate fully in teacher education in case small colleges become extinct in the future; and

(c) that the question of vocational guidance in our high schools be referred to post-primary headmasters who will make specific recommendations to Board of Education who will report to Conference.

J.D. Makawa (Secretary)

J. Njagu (Chairman)

Board Of Communications

(The following report is a condensation of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Communications held at Nyadiri on 22nd August, 1973, and 31st December-1st January, 1974.)

I. PRINTING—RHODESIA MISSION PRESS

A. *Ngoma:* The reprint of 15,000 copies is complete: 3600 hard - cover and 6400 soft-cover copies printed with prices indicated, and 5000 copies without prices according to the action taken at the August meeting of the Board (see II. B. below).

Equipment: The Press has purchased a new stitching machine, trading in the old machine which it was unable to have repaired.

C. *Finances:* With the help of a withdrawal from the depreciation of equipment fund held in CABS and a loan from Concordance Fund approved by BOFAC, The Rhodesia Mission Press has at present a positive balance. With the

continuing sales of *Ngoma* the Press should slowly recover financial stability.

D. Commercial Printing: During the month of July the National Council of the Printing, Packaging and Newspaper Industries directed the Rhodesia Mission Press to cease the publication of *UMBOWO* because it contained advertisements and thus, was deemed to be a commercial newspaper. Previously the Council had directed the Press not to solicit commercial printing jobs. After some negotiation the Press was allowed to continue the printing of *UMBOWO* until such time as the Council completes their reconsideration of the position of the mission presses in relation to the Council.

The National Industrial Council of the Printing, Packaging and Newspaper Industries has jurisdiction over these industries in terms of the Industrial Conciliation Act (Chapter 246). Up until recently the mission presses have been exempted from the terms of this agreement. This exemption is now being reconsidered, and it is likely that it will be dropped. If the mission presses are no longer exempt from the Agreement, there will be severe implications for us:

1. Unless we move to the "African Area" (e.g. Mrewa), our press comes under the Agreement.
2. "Journeymen" (qualified through an apprenticeship programme) must be employed to do the major work.
3. Journeymen receive a minimum of \$60,00 per week.
4. None of our press employees are presently qualified under the Agreement. It *may* be possible to receive qualification on the basis of experience, however. Mr. E. Matzigkeit is qualified as a journeyman and perhaps he could conduct an apprenticeship programme to qualify others.

In response to this information, the Board of Communication established an Advisory Committee for the press and directed it to investigate the cost that would be involved in joining the Council. The following members were named to this committee: Rev. W. Mutamba, Mr. E. Matzigkeit, Rev. F. Messenger, and Mr. O. Mhere.

II. PUBLISHING:

A. Publisher: For several years there has not been a director of Communications in this Conference. As a result, the responsibility for publishing has not been clear. Until such time as a director is again appointed, the Board recommends that the Board of Communications be designated the "publisher" for this Conference. The Board defined the job of publisher as follows:

1. Implement recommendations of the Board of Communications regarding publications.
2. Place orders for new and reprinted books with the press after approval by the Board.
3. Handle the revolving fund and set prices on books —both cost and retail.
4. Peruse new manuscripts and make recommendations to the Board.
5. Promotion of books.

B. Revolving Fund: The Board of Communications noted that the reprinting of old books and the publication of new books had been held up because the publication Revolving Fund had been used up. In order to build up a revolving fund again, the Board directed that prices of literature published by this Board be raised 10% and that the amount collected be sent to Rev. M. Ball, who will be the present treasurer for this fund. The Ngoma, which has the price printed in the first page of the book, should continue to be sold at the price indicated. After these have been sold, the price will be raised for those copies in which the price has not been printed (See I. A. above). Miss Ball reported that there has now been collected \$11,17 for this Fund since September.

C. Catechism: It was noted with regret that the Board had failed to carry out the action of the 1973 Annual Conference to reprint the old Catechism while the work of revision is still underway. The explanation given was that neither the Board of Christian Education nor the Board of Communications saw their way clear to finance this reprint. Until such time as the revolving fund has been built up,

it was recommended that order forms for the Catechism be printed and distributed at this Conference and that firm orders be placed by circuits, centres, or individuals and given to the manager of the Market Square Bookroom, Rev. Marcia Ball (see form at end of this report). It is hoped that by using this procedure of pre-publication subscription, needed materials can be reprinted and published while the revolving fund is being built up.

D. Music edition of Ngoma: The idea of a music edition of *Ngoma* began to develop at the time the 1964 revision was being prepared. The project was approved by Conference Action and Rev. John Kaemmer completed the project (postponing his furlough until it was complete) and turned over the finished manuscript to the Central Mission Press in Johannesburg in 1968. A large gift had been made by a church in New Jersey to subsidize the printing of the music edition. In 1969 the Board of Communications directed the Central Mission Press to hold up printing until financing and payment for the printing was clarified. In 1970 the machine needed for setting type for the tonic sol-fa was stolen and in 1971 the manuscript was returned to Rhodesia. Quotations were obtained from the Rhodesia Christian Press in Bulawayo and it was found that by typing in the tonic sol-fa and words with typewriter, the cost of printing could be reduced from \$11500 to \$6500 for 5000 copies. Typing began in 1972 on a voluntary basis, but this work suffered from many interruptions. New quotations were obtained in 1973 and it was found that printing costs had risen 15-20%. At the August meeting of the Board of Communications a committee was appointed to take over the responsibility of publishing the music edition. The committee members are: M. Johnson, M. Ball, B. Jambga, J. Gurure, and E. Matzigkeit. The committee recommended that M. Johnson and M. Ball complete the tonic sol-fa and words by September 1974, if possible. The committee is at present investigating both off-set and electric stencil printing to keep the cost down. It recommended that a loose-leaf ring binder be used, so that the book lies open flat.

E. Theological Interpretation of the History of the Rhodesian Annual Conference: The Board reviewed Dr. John Zvomunondita Kurewa's dissertation thesis on the history of the United Methodist Church in this country. The Board regretted that it had no money to finance its publication. The Board is very interested in the book and hopes that a way can be found to publish it. The Board is investigating ways of publishing it.

F. Umbowo: The outgoing editor, Rev. M. Chinoda outlined the following financial difficulties faced by *Umbowo*:

1. BOFAC budget cuts,
2. Decline in advertising related to editorial policy and small circulation,
3. Lack of support from United Methodists (two-thirds of the readers are non-Methodists),
4. Strict interpretation of central bookkeeping at Old Umtali not allowing any withdrawals when the unit is in the red (resulting in salary delays and eventual laying off of the secretary and circulation manager), and
5. Competition with other monthly and weekly newspapers.

Appreciation was expressed for the \$17,04 collected for *Umbowo* at the Consultation.

Seven out of the 70 pastors responded to letters asking them to be selling agents for *Umbowo* and these 7 have done quite well as *Umbowo* agents. The Board urges all circuits to designate someone to be the *Umbowo* distribution agent in its circuit, either the pastor or some member of the church.

The Long Range Planning Committee of the Board of Communications noted that at present the entire literary subsidy from BOFAC is absorbed by *Umbowo*. The Board accepted the committee's plan that beginning in 1975 *Umbowo* would receive 95% of this subsidy and 85% in 1976. In 1976 the situation is to be reviewed. The portion of the subsidy thus released is to be made available for the development of literature distribution.

The committee appointed to investigate the possibilities of ecumenical participation in sponsoring Umbowo was re-constituted at the August meeting to consist of the following persons: Rev. J. Tsiga, Rev. J. Gurure, Mr. E. Matzigkeit, and the Umbowo editor.

The in-coming editor, Mr. S. Mukasa, presented a very full report from the Consultation on the Development of Christian Literature in Africa held at the African Literature Centre, Mindolo Ecumenical Foundation, Kitwe, Zambia, 6-10th September, 1973, sponsored by ACLD (Agency for Christian Literature Development). He was interested in learning that the financial problems faced by Umbowo are similar to problems faced by other Christian periodicals in Africa. Of 50 Christian periodicals represented at the Consultation, only 2 are self-supporting. In spite of the necessity of continued subsidy, the Consultation concluded that the Christian press had a very important work to do in Africa. Mr. Mukasa also reported that there are a number of agencies in Europe ready to give financial assistance to Christian periodicals and literature programmes that are *ecumenical*. The Board encouraged Mr. Mukasa to proceed with his proposals for working towards ecumenical support for *Umbowo*.

III. DISTRIBUTION

A. *Market Square Bookroom*: The Market Square Bookroom has been able to realize a small profit. (The cash gain for the January-June period was \$121,52, and cash gain for June -December was \$158,00 showing gain of \$37). However, it should be noted that the bookstore is not yet able to raise a manager's salary. Because of rise in the minimum wages required for cashiers, it has been necessary to lay off one of the two clerks. A large amount of the value in stocks is tied up in old stock that is not moving. Most of the sales are recent purchases. Rental rates have increased.

Ways are being explored to make more use of a general dealer's licence beyond that of books. It has been found that the sale of stamps attracts more customers, especially for related stationery items.

The August Board of Communications constituted the following Advisory Committee for the Market Square Bookroom: Rev. J. Nderere, Rev. Mawokomatanda, Mrs. Shryock, Mr. I. Musamba, and Mr. G. Kambarami. The manager reported to the January Board meeting that this advisory committee has already proved itself most helpful to the Bookstore.

B. Mr. Mushambi's Training Programme: After nine months' work experience in the Market Square Bookroom, Mr. C. Mushambi left this country for a six-month on-the-job training programme in bookselling and distribution in Malawi and England, under the sponsorship of ACLD. From August through October Mr. Mushambi was in an on-the-job course with CLAIM (Christian Literature Association in Malawi), publishing and distributing Christian literature especially known for its extensive rural literature distribution programme. Mr. Mushambi sent a detailed report of the work of this organization to the Board of Communications in October.

At the end of October, Mr. Mushambi arrived in England, where he followed an intensive on-the-job training programme in the SPCK religious book warehouse in London where he gained experience in wholesaling, in an SPCK bookshop in Salisbury, U.K., which has two sub-shops under its manager's supervision, and is at present in London gaining further experience in the London SPCK shop as well as experience in the publishing and marketing departments, including visits to paper mills and printing works. The final part of the programme will be in SPCK mail order department at Bradford. Mr. Mushambi expects to return to Rhodesia in February.

The Board of Communications is looking forward to his employment in the literature distribution programme of our Conference, made possible by a two-year salary assistance grant made available to the Conference through Dr. Doris Hess of the Board of Missions in New York. In anticipation of his return, the Board of Communications outlined several alternative work arrangements either in building up a literature distribution programme in the Salisbury

townships or in full involvement in the Market Square Bookroom, initially as a clerk and moving ultimately toward the manager's position (or in opening another bookshop in, for example, the Mrewa township).

It is recommended that BOFAC be approached for help in purchasing a three-wheel motorscooter for distribution route selling in the Salisbury townships.

Rev. Webster Mutamba (Director)

Rev. M. Johnson, Secretary

TO: Rev. Marcia Ball, Manager
Market Square Bookroom
95 Salisbury Street
Salisbury.

Please supply

.....
(name and address of Circuit, Centre or individual)

with number of copies of Ketekezima. I agree to purchase these books as soon as they are available.

Signed
(person making the order)

Date

(SEE APPENDIX)

Constitution of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church—January 1974

WHEREAS the Division of World Missions of The Board of Missions of The Methodist Church of the United States of America has established and engaged in Christian mission work in Rhodesia,

AND WHEREAS the Rhodesia Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church in Rhodesia, consisting of representatives both lay and clergy, has continued to carry on this work, and meeting at Nyadiri United Methodist Centre on 2nd January 1974,

AND WHEREAS it has become desirable to form a legally established body in Rhodesia for the purpose of acquiring and holding in Rhodesia immovable property in the name of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church,

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby recorded that the Constitution of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, hereinafter called "the said Conference", is:

1. The said Conference shall be and the same is a body corporate, the name of which is the Rhodesia Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church.
2. The said Conference shall be entitled to sue and be sued in any Court of Law whatsoever in the name of the Board of Trustees as hereinafter appointed, and shall be entitled to make regulations for the governing of the said Conference, to receive, purchase or acquire in any manner whatsoever any immovable property and the same, at pleasure, to sell, donate, convey, mortgage or dispose of in any such manner as the Board of Trustees shall see fit, subject always to the provisions of Clause 3 hereof.
3. All immovable property or any leasehold property acquired by the said Conference shall be held on its behalf by the Board of Trustees for the time being thereof as hereinafter appointed, who shall administer the same, and the income therefrom in accordance with the directions of the donor, trustor or testator and in the interest of the church, society, institution or agency contemplated by such donor, trustor or testator under the direction of the said Conference. The Board of Trustees shall have the power to invest, buy, lend, sell, donate, transfer and convey any and all funds and properties which it may hold in trust, as it thinks fit for the ultimate benefit of the church, subject always to the terms of the legacy, devise or donation.
4. The said Conference shall have, enjoy, and exercise all rights and privileges incidental to corporation for benevolent purposes.
5. Simple majority of the members of the said Conference

shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the said Conference.

6. Save in regard to matters to be dealt with by the full membership of the said Conference in general meeting assembled or as prescribed by the said Conference, the affairs of the said Conference shall be conducted by the the Board of Trustees thereof.

7. The Board of Trustees, hereinafter called "the said Board", shall consist of 15 members, namely:-

The Bishop of the said Conference

The Secretary of the said Conference

The Treasurer of the said Conference

Twelve other members to be elected by the annual meeting of the said Conference which should include the Land Agents.

The members must be at least twenty-one years of age and shall be ministers in effective relation in the said Conference or lay members in good standing of churches affiliated with the said Conference, and such persons shall constitute the said Board.

In January 1974 the election of members to the said Board shall be:-

One-third for a term of one year

One-third for a term of two years

One-third for a term of three years

Thereafter, one-third of the members of the said Board will be elected for a term of three years at each annual meeting of the said Conference to replace the outgoing members.

The Bishop, the Secretary and the Treasurer of the said Conference shall be members of the three different classes, respectively.

There shall be an alternate elected for each of the three classes.

The said Board shall elect its own Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary.

The Conference Treasurer shall function as Treasurer for the said Board.

8. There shall be an annual meeting of the said Board to

be held during the annual meeting of the said Conference and at the same place as the annual meeting of the said Conference.

9. The said Conference shall have the supervisory control over the management of the said Board, which shall be subject to such rules and regulations as may from time to time be prescribed by the said Conference but shall have no control over the said Board decisions relating to any immovable property and the dealings therewith.

10. The Chairman of the said Board, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman of the said Board shall preside over the meeting of the said Board, and all committees appointed by the said Board and not otherwise provided for.

11. The Secretary of the said Board shall keep the correct records of all minutes and actions of the said Board. He shall send a written notice of the annual meeting, or any specially called meeting, of the said Board at least ten days in advance to members of the said Board.

He shall also, at the written request of three members of the said Board, call a special meeting of the said Board, at such time and place within the bounds of the said Conference, as the request may indicate.

12. The Treasurer of the said Board shall hold all moneys, notes, mortgages, and any registered Government Bonds belonging to the said Board. He shall loan, invest, and donate moneys as the said Board may approve. He shall be the custodian of all legal documents belonging to the said Board, unless otherwise provided. He shall have general supervision of all real estate owned by the said Board, and shall pay taxes and make such repairs as the said Board may order. It is also his duty to represent the said Board in all cases of bequests. His receipts shall be the vouchers of the said Board. He shall give such guarantees for the faithful discharge of his duties as the said Board may from time to time require.

13. The said Board shall make to each annual meeting of the said Conference, a full, true and faithful report of its activities and decisions related to all funds, moneys, securities, and properties held in trust by it, and of its receipts

and disbursements during the previous fiscal year. The beneficiary of a fund held in trust by the said Board shall also be entitled to a report at least annually on the condition of such fund and on the transactions affecting it.

14. The Chairman and Secretary of the said Board shall arrange for an annual audit by a Chartered Accountant of the books of the said Board and the Treasurer of the said Board shall report to the annual meeting of the said Conference in detail the result of his work and of the audit. Such annual audit shall be done just prior to each annual meeting of the said Conference.

15. Ten members of the said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the said Board.

16. Notwithstanding the provisions of Clause 15 hereof, the Chairman, the Secretary, and the Treasurer, respectively, of the said Board are hereby authorized to sign jointly all documents relating to the giving or receiving or transfer of property of the said Conference or the mortgaging of the same on behalf of the said Board.

17. The Chairman of the said Board alone is hereby authorized to sign official documents on behalf of this body, except those relating to the transfer or mortgage of property, as referred to in Clause 16 above.

18. Any of the terms of this Constitution may be changed at any time at the annual meeting or a specially called meeting of the said Conference, provided that the decision to make such alterations shall have been passed by a majority of not less than two-thirds of such members entitled to vote as are present at such meeting, and provided further that not less than thirty days' notice has been given to members of the said Conference specifying the intention to make such amendments and the terms of the amendments.

19. This Constitution supersedes and replaces all previous Constitutions, and revisions of Constitutions, of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of The Methodist Church.

OLD UMTALI METHODIST CENTRE
(Minutes)

CONSULTATION: THE FINANCIAL CRISIS AND
STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

PLACE HELD: Old Umtali United Methodist Centre

Date Held: 21-23 September, 1973 Chairman: Bishop
A.T. Muzorewa

Secretary: Mr. E. Musumhi (D. Mungazi Acting)

SEPTEMBER 21, 1973. 7: 30 p.m.

(1) Introduction, welcome, and devotions were given by Rev. J. Chidzikwe, District Superintendent of Mtasa-Makoni. Bishop Muzorewa officially opened the Consultation. He then suggested that since Mr. Musumhi, Conference Secretary, could not attend the Consultation, and since Dr. J. Kurewa was chairman of the Committee on Systematic Giving, Mr. D. Mungazi become acting secretary of the Consultation. The Consultation approved.

(2) Bishop Muzorewa then explained the organization of the Consultation according to the following committees:

| COMMITTEE | CHAIRMAN | SECRETARY |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Education | Mr. A. Dangarembga | Mr. H. Katedza |
| 2. Medical | Dr. D. Sadza | Mrs. A. Mtasa |
| 3. Raising money for Conference Buildings | Mr. T. Gwati | Mrs. S. Dangarembga |
| 4. Raising Funds Locally | Mr. W. Marima | Mr. P. Matsikenyiri |
| 5. Systematic Giv- ing | Dr. J. Kurewa | Rev. M. Chinoda |
| 6. Priorities | Mr. I. Musamba | Rev. Josiah Kurewa |

The secretary was elected by the committees, made up of the members of the Consultation, who had elected to

serve in one of the six committees. The Bishop had named the chairman.

The committees met as follows:

1. Education Committee—in the Geography Room of the Secondary School.
2. Medical Committee—in the Choir Room.
3. Raising money for Conference Buildings—in the Church.
4. Raising Funds Locally—in Form IIC Room.
5. Systematic Giving—in B.I. big Room.

(3) The Bishop, the Secretary, chairmen and secretaries of the committees formed the Steering Committee. At the end of the first session of the Consultation, Dr. J. Kurewa explained to the Steering Committee "Suggestions for Consultation Group" which outlined the procedure to be followed by the committees in their discussions.

SEPTEMBER 22, 1973 7:30 a.m.

(1) After an opening prayer offered by Rev. J.B. Jijita, Bishop Muzorewa gave an address: CHALLENGE: His main ideas were:-

1. God is able to convert our troubles and worries into blessings.
2. Let us all believe that God gave us blessings, which may be higher education, or a simple, good Christian life.
3. "You have received openly and freely, you must give openly and freely".

We have come face to face with the dire need to give to the Church, we must respond to this need generously.

4. We must give according to our means and ability, He indicated, for example, that he pays \$60,00 per month in rent for the Church house in which he lives.

5. We all must make pledges to support our Church.

After a prayer offered by Rev. M. Chiza, the Consultation sang Hymn 257. Bishop Muzorewa introduced Rev. Karel Eriksson, who addressed the Consultation on "Consultation in Perspective".

His main ideas were:-

1. BOFAC decided that there should be a consultation to

attempt to look objectively into the question of financial crisis facing the Conference.

2. This year we have an \$80,000 Budget, next year we will have it reduced to \$42,000 for the same work we are doing.

3. The value of the American dollar has gone down; we lose about \$200 per month in exchange. American giving to the Board of Missions has gone down; similarly, the financial fortunes of the Methodist Church in Rhodesia have steadily decreased.

4. In the 1930's a Bishop of the Methodist Church in Japan called a special consultation to consider a financial crisis in the church caused by the 1929 world depression. We find ourselves to-day in similar situation.

5. The main purpose of this Consultation is to find solution to our present church financial difficulties. It is up to us to determine the direction that we will take. We will not see an increase in financial help from New York like that of the 1960's. The world trend is for churches to become autonomous. The great development of our churches were made possible with help from New York. That development will seriously be decreased unless we do something to solve the financial crisis we are in.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Bishop Muzorewa then thanked Rev. Eriksson for his inspirational address. He re-stressed the point he had made earlier on—the need to understand the IMPORTANCE of Church support.

1. The secretary read to the Consultation greetings from Miss Hervold and apologies from Mrs. Ezekiel Matongo, Dr. Murphree and Rev. J. Gurure, who were unable to attend the Consultation.

2. Reports (See section on reports and recommendations) The Education report was read by Mr. Herbert Katedza.

3. Bishop Muzorewa explained to the Consultation that a Continuation Committee must be elected, which will do a follow up on the recommendations of the Consultation. Mr. Marima moved, and the Consultation passed, that Bishop Muzorewa name the committee. Bishop Muzorewa

then went on to name the six chairmen of the Consultation committees, Mr. Eriksson, Mr. Kaseke, Mr. Mareya, Mrs. Munjoma, Mr. Mupfunya to the Continuation Committee. Mr. Eriksson was named convenor.

4. The Medical report was read in English by Mrs. A. Mtasa and in Shona by Dr. Sadza. The report was accepted after a lengthy discussion and some amendments.

5. The report on raising funds for Conference Buildings was read by Mrs. S. Dangarembga. During the discussion that followed the report, and on the Question of rents, Bishop Muzorewa remarked that rent on church houses in rural circuits must not be so high that no one would wish to live in them. The question of this class of rents must be looked into. The Consultation also noted that it would be in the interest of the Conference to build its own administrative offices, even in Salisbury itself, so that lots of money spent in rent at Reliance Building could be saved. Bishop Muzorewa responded by saying that this was a possibility.

SEPTEMBER 23, 1973 7: 30 a.m.

(1) Rev. D. Mudzengerere gave the message for the morning devotions. He preached on "Your god is too small". His theme was based on Mark 10: 17.

"What shall I do to inherit eternal life?" His main ideas were:-

1. Jesus told the rich young ruler to go and sell all that he had, then come back and follow him. This was difficult for the ruler to do because he had too small a god".

2. Among us are people who worship "Too small gods" of money, business success, self-pride, laziness, fear.

3. Some of us gathered at this Consultation fail to meet our church financial obligations because we worship too small gods'.

4. We must be resolved to implement the decisions that we are making at his Consultation if we worship the Almighty God who is always ready to help us.

5. We must close our hearts to 'too small gods' and open them to Almighty God, so that we build a strong church for Him.

(2) The report on Raising Funds Locally was read by Mr. P. Matsikenyiri. After some discussion and amendments the report was accepted.

(3) The report on Systematic Giving was read by Rev. M. Chinoda and was accepted after some discussion.

(4) The report on Priorities was read by Rev. Josiah Kurewa, and was accepted after some discussion.

GENERAL:

1. Mr. David Muzorewa asked: Since the Church is now mainly thinking of commercial and industrial enterprises to raise money, is it not necessary that the Conference hire (on temporary basis) an expert/economist to work with the Conference Task Force in serious economic planning of these projected Church enterprises?

2. The whole question of operation of the Old Umtali Press was referred to BOFAC.

3. Rev. M. Chinoda presented "Facts of Life or Death for UMBOWO" in which he said that Umbowo is in serious financial crisis. He outlined some suggestions for rescuing Umbowo from the crisis. There followed some discussion. The Consultation agreed to make a contribution to Umbowo at the end of its deliberations. The Board of Communications and Publications was asked to furnish BOFAC with a list of people who owe Umbowo some money.

4. Rev. Mparutsa expressed gratitude over the Consultation's concern on Conference financial crisis. He urged that we must not try to find an escape from our problems but we must face them bravely. We have money and possessions in our homes in form of cattle, crops. There is only one thing to do, give our best to God, He will bless us.

5. Rev. J.B. Jijita wondered if this Consultation could not take steps to correct the Conference items. Rev. David Muzorewa agreed by stressing that each member of this Consultation must take it upon himself to go from here determined to do something positive in the service of our Conference.

6. Rev. K. Mhandu further urged that before next Annual

Conference each one of us must commit himself to the task of positive action to raise money for the many Conference projects.

7. Mrs. S. Munjoma urged the Consultation to "run the race before us . . ."

Mrs. D. Chikosi urged that Zimbabwe Board of Missions be started with the \$1,00 subscription by each member of the United Methodist Church.

8. Mr. E. Matara responded by making his \$1,00 subscription and members of the Consultation generously subscribed to the fund on the spot to the sum of \$133,70.

9. Mr. P. Mudiwa requested that the Consultation have a period of prayer, and the Consultation responded in favour.

10. Bishop Muzorewa then said that he was happy to see that during the Consultation there was no spirit against the Church. He then thanked all members of the Consultation for coming to attend the meetings, the Old Umtali community for making arrangements for the Consultation, Rev. Chidzikwe and Rev. Mudzengerere for the leading in devotion, the secretary, and all who helped one way or another to make the Consultation a success. There was a hearty response from the Consultation when he announced that the Zimbabwe Board of Missions subscription was \$133,70 which was handed to the conference Treasurer, Mr. I. Musamba. Bishop said he was pleased with this effort.

11. Mr. W. Marima, Conference Lay Leader, responded by thanking Bishop Muzorewa for his great leadership. At this point Bishop Muzorewa received standing ovation from the Consultation.

12. After some announcements the Consultation came to an end with benediction by Bishop Muzorewa, at about 12 noon.

Education Committee

1. What is the future place and build-up of our Education programme in relationship to the Church?

RECOMMENDATION:

We recommend that we keep our Post Primary Schools as church schools because we have a purpose and a mission

in providing this education. We will continue to carry out this mission without any desire for change. We further recommend that the Board of Education should keep abreast with information bulletins from the ministry and analyse the information so that we can take appropriate measures in good time.

2. What is our plan in respect of buildings and education programme? Are building fees to be increased?

RECOMMENDATION:

We recommend that there should be a fund raised and set aside as building fund. This money is to be collected at the various schools and forwarded to the Conference Treasurer. The amount, we propose shall be one dollar (\$) per term per child, i.e. three dollars (\$3) per year per child. This should take effect as from January 1974.

3. What are to be our priorities in our educational programme?

RECOMMENDATION OF PRIORITIES:

1.

- (a) Hartzell Form 6
- (b) Mrewa Form 6

2. Nyadiri T.T. or Form I Secondary School.

3. Mrewa & Nyamuzuwe expansion—3rd stream up to Form IV.

4. Sunnyside Form 2 Secondary School—complete buildings (dormitories).

5. Organization: our Boarding Departments be on the same lines as Government schools and some mission schools (Board of Education investigate cutting of personnel and utilisation of staff economically).

II. (1) REPORT FROM MEDICAL GROUP COMMITTEE

The group looked first at the present organization of our medical work and its problems. These were as follows:-

1. Medical work is expensive to run, and has already suffered considerably due to shortage of funds.

2. The fact that we are given grants by the Government limits our freedom as follows:-

(a) We are told how many staff of different qualificationns we will be given grant for.

(b) Hospitals are graded to receive grant of between 50% and 65% of the staff salaries.

(c) Statistics must be submitted to Government monthly in order for the amount of grant to be worked out.

(d) Government grant is only paid twice a year for the previous 6 months.

3. Nurses in Training are already paying part of their expenses. In the 1st year of training they pay \$40 for uniforms, books and equipment.

4. We regret the drop in Missionary personnel, who have been of great help to medical work in the past.

(2) RECOMMENDATION FOR THE MEDICAL GROUP

1. District Clinics should be retained as long as they are able to pay the ambulance charges.

2. Ambulance charges to be raised to 15c per mile, to cover running costs—referred to BOFAC.

3. Voluntary service should be encouraged for jobs not needing skilled personnel. Refer to our church organizations e.g. Rukwadzano, Wabvuwi & U.M.Y.F. for investigation.

4. Appeal for funds from local churches by having a special day on the Conference Calendar for medical work. Suggest a minimum offering of 50c.

5. Agreed to terminate the use of Hospital Chaplains in order to save money, and use the pastor for this work.

6. (a) Encourage private patients in the hospitals at the discretion and ability of the hospitals. The fees to be reviewed.

(b) BOFAC to study the feasibility of mission doctors operating a part time private practice away from the hospital.

7. Fees to be reviewed at least once a year by the medical Board of Directors. Give thought to raising the fees for the more expensive services, e.g. operation and X-ray.

8. Recommend that the Board of Medical Activities should review the policy of paying salaries close to the Govern-

ment scale, when other denominations may be paying less, also remembering that our U.M. salaries in other fields of work may be higher than in other denominations. "Referred to minimum salary Board."

9. Scholarship Committee to consider the possibility of requesting the Board to offer 2 medical scholarship each year to ensure that we will have regular supply of doctors to meet our needs. A contract binding the recipient to serve for a certain period would be needed.

10. Every expansion programme to be very carefully scrutinised by BOFAC before approval be given.

11. That thought should be given to operating some medical programmes completely free from Government grant and control, be referred to Annual Conference.

WAYS OF RAISING MONEY FOR BUILDINGS

1. What buildings do we have in mind?

1. School buildings, dormitories, staff-houses.
2. Churches and Parsonages.
3. Hospitals, clinics, pharmacies, staff houses.
4. Houses-to-let.
5. Other buildings for various Church projects e.g. the Press.

11. We recommend:-

1. That nurses in training at Nyadiri should pay a building fee of \$3 per student per year.
2. That the Publicity and Promotion Secretary be responsible to see that pictures of the buildings, for which money has been received from overseas, are taken and sent to the donors and that letters of thanks from the heads of the recipient institutions accompany the pictures.
3. That any person who uses mission land to produce crops at the mission centres pay rent at the rate of \$5 per acre per annum on irrigated land and \$3 per acre per annum on dry land.
4. That any person that uses mission land at such places as Arnoldine Farm and Nyakatsapa should pay rent at the rate of \$1 per annum per tenant. This matter to be referred to BOFAC for further study.
5. That the increase on hospital fees charged at our mis-

sion hospitals include 25c per patient which will be set aside to be pooled into the building fund. This to be referred to the Medical Board of Directors for further study.

6. That two or three representatives from our Annual Conference should be sent overseas to speak about and promote the building projects here. We request BOFAC to study and work out the details and to see if this can be carried out.

7. That house rents be set aside for the maintenance of buildings.

8. That a portion of the profits from the various units and farms be set aside towards the building fund. This be referred to the Continuation Committee of this Consultation to work out ways by which this may be effectively done.

9. That efforts be made to recover outstanding loans made to our Primary Schools before they were taken over by local authorities. This be referred to BOFAC.

10. That all money raised in the recommendations above be sent to Conference Headquarters as a General Building and Maintenance Fund from which all categories of buildings can draw, through BOFAC, according to approved priorities.

IV RAISING MONEY LOCALLY

THEME: Mwana ngaabarwe zuwa rasvika.

RECOMMENDATIONS: We recommend that:-

1. (a) We can raise funds locally by inviting Tenders from outsiders to run our Mission lands on a signed contract. Continuation Committee.

(b) Our farm Agencies should be asked to go into business when appointed into their respective areas. The two resolutions have been proposed in their order of priority and referred to the Continuation Committee for careful scrutiny.

2. That BOFAC runs stores on our Centres and have Conference Auditor be the person to closely see to its profit and loss.

3. The same applies to Butcheries. But we would ask that local people and boarding be asked to support this in full
Referred to Cabinet.

4. That the Market Square Bookroom be enlarged into a supermarket since it has made good contribution to our Conference as a self support unit. Referred to BOFAC for careful study.

5. We can make Harvest Sunnday more successful by careful planning and reminding and ahead of time to ensure everyone's knowledge of the particular day. We refer this item to the District Finance Committee for careful study.

6. That we continue to raise funds according to our Districts Budgets and that The Districts be responsible for the implementation of the system.

7. We recommend that when money is designed for projects in our Centres , that much concern be given on choice of tenders to avoid dissatisfaction on the part of the Conference as a whole. The Head of Unit should work in consultation with the Executive. Referred to BOFAC.

V SYSTEMATIC GIVING

TITHING:

—It is unfortunate that tithing has been neglected for so long and yet it is here that the backbone of the church lies. (Quite a good number felt that this is Biblical Method of giving and does directly challenge an individual.)

—Tithing involves 1/10th of everything one gets either the farms of cattle, goats, sheep, grains, salary, business income, etc.

PLEDGING:

—Pledging is the minimum amount of money a person promises to give to the church, organisation, etc., regularly.

—Pledging also is giving the church what the Local Church Finance Committee has assigned to each member to give. This includes the assessments.

—A lot of controversy arose when it was felt that pledging, rupawo, travelling expenses to camp meetings, charity givings, etc. be part of 1/10th.

RECOMMENDATIONS: - We examined pledging and tithing .

1. (a) Tithing—recommend that the teaching projects of our church and ministers take immediate steps to teach our people more about Tithing and that Pamphlets on this subject be prepared for this purpose e.g. "Kupa kuna Mwari".

(b) Alive and accepted.

(c) Pledging system is the more practical method which can be applied now to solve the Financial crisis we are in. However, we recognised that the only long time solution to this crisis is in Tithing.

2. More serious? Yes, we do feel that the assessments should be taken very seriously and so recommend that the District Finance Committee, with the Superintendent and District Layleader should do the follow up.

3. (a) We recommend that the individual member should be told how much, in one lump he /she is expected to give for the circuit budget and the District and Conference Assessments included.

(b) We recommend that the District Treasurer should be responsible for the Assessments and forward this to the Conference Treasurer.

4. Yes, it is quite possible and recommended that all budgets be turned in after conference and referred to the Budget Committee of BOFAC.

5. We feel that assessments should be established individually at the District Level.

VI PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

APPROVED BUDGETS AND ASKINGS

1. ADMINISTRATION

1. Administrative Office—Salisbury
2. Administrative Contingency
3. Taxes and Insurance
4. Travel to Meetings
5. Conference Audit
6. Promotion and Publicity
7. Conference Journal
8. BOFAC Secretarial Expense
9. Old Umtali Central Office
Mutambara Central Office

10. Centre Chairmen—Allowances
- II. CHURCH DEVELOPMENT
 1. Salisbury-Bulawayo District
 - Umtali South District
 - Mrewa District
 - Mtasa-Makoni District
 - Mtoko-Nyadiri District
 2. Church Assistance (Assessments)
 3. Church Extn. (Pastoral Support)
 4. Ministers' Pension
 5. Pastors' School
 6. Stewardship
 - Evangelism
 - Lay Training - Schools
 - Lay Training-North
 - Lay Training-South
 - Church Music Service
 7. Pastors' Travel

CO-OPERATIVE PROJECTS (Epworth)

CONFERENCE LAY TRAINING

III. MEDICAL

1. Nyadiri Hospital
2. Mutambara Hospital
3. Old Umtali Hospital
4. Dental Work
5. Medical Secretary

IV CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. Director
 - Ministry to Youth
2. Rusape C.E.
 - Umtali C.E.
 - Bulawayo C.E.

V EDUCATION

1. Nyamuzuwe High School
2. Nyadiri T.T. and High School
3. Mrewa High School

4. Hartzell High School
5. Mutambara High School
6. Sunnyside Jr. High School
7. Education Secretary
8. Not Budgeted

MINISTRY TO WOMEN

VI AGRICULTURAL - RURAL

1. Conference Ranching
2. Land Agent-North
Lannd Agent-South
3. Conference Agricultural - Rural Programme

VII. SOCIAL - ECONOMIC - INDUSTRIAL

1. Christian Sentre - Sakubva
Christian Centre - Rusape
2. African Girls Hostel - Umtali

VIII LITERATURE AND COMMUNICATIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That we build our own Administration Offices in Salisbury.
2. Umbowo must be read widely in our churches.

Continuation Committee of the Consultation

December 10, 1973

PREAMBLE

1. Because of an unfortunate misunderstanding, the date was set for December 10th instead of November 10th.
2. Unfortunately leaders of RRW, Medical, Education, and MYF did not attend; probably for good reasons.
3. Consultation called:
 - (a) for financial crisis.
 - (b) we cannot change decisions made by the consultation, but we can comment.
 - (c) We agreed to send special items to appropriate committees for their deliberations.
 - (d) we now present to you the Consultation report with our comments.

(e) It is up to the various Conference Committees to execute these consultation ideas.

4. While the Consultation was primarily financial crisis; it seems the same Consultation impressed on us our mission—on where we put money.

REPORT & COMMENTS OF THE CONTINUATION COMMITTEE

A. Recommendations to BOFAC.

1. Policy regarding Conference Salaries: II-8).

(a) The item above should be handled by the Salary Board of BOFAC with more innformation to be supplied by the Medical Board.

(b) The composition of the Salary Board should be reviewed.

(c) The structure of the Salary Board should be flexible enough to comply with Discipline regulations regarding minimum salary for ministers—and so be responsible for reviewing and setting salaries for ministers and other Conference workers as determined by Annual Conference.

2. Scholarships and Contracts: (II-9)

(a) The contract issue should be referred to the Salary Board, and some policy should be minuted for the guidance of employing agencies in the Church.

(b) That we offer as many medical scholarships as possible each year.

(c) Consideration should be given to granting of graduate medical scholarships to medical personnel after a fixed number of years in service.

There is need for medical doctors in our country. The need is great. This is a long range planning.

Therefore, we request that Scholarships for graduate medical studies be provided to as many people as the money is available.

3. Paying Land Fees: (III-3)

(a) We suggest that the procedure for collecting and forwarding money be as approved by the Task Force—that

is through executives. Where executives do not exist, provision should be made for the establishing of executives or similar representative bodies.

(b) That the rates of \$5 per acre per annum on irrigated land and \$3 per acre per annum on dry land be paid by every person who uses mission land to produce crops.

(c) It was noted that boardings and other departments of the Church, up to now, have been exempted from paying land fees. Direction in this respect should be given by BOFAC.

4. Use of House Rents (III-7)

Procedure should be in line with the Task Force suggestions of listing houses and collecting rents.

5. Conference Assessments (IV-6)

We insist that Districts through their normal channels make known as early as possible, to their local churches what their annual share of Conference assessments will be.

6. Ambulance Charges (II-2)

In the new fuel situation we feel that BOFAC should review this figure.

7. The use of Arnoldine and Nyakatsapa Land: (II-4)

In addition to what is being paid now.

8. Promotion of Building Projects (III-6)

Better use of delegates to the General Conference, students overseas, and missionaries on furlough should be made.

9. Businesses in Our Centres (IV- 2 & 3)

We consider that these stores be run by either local units or private individuals who will pay rent to the Conference—and must be approved by the executive. (See Task Force Report).

10. Unit Balances:

When budgets are being made up for different units, attention needs to be paid to the report of the Conference Auditor.

11. Reconstructing Centre Executives:

The Continuation Committee feels that a new and more relevant constitution be made for our centre executives outlining their composition, church-relations, powers, etc....

12. Units and Farms Profits: (III-8)

This matter is too complicated for any committee to properly work out in a matter of two months. We feel that farm managers and land agents through our respective development committees should both assess when our farms can assist our general Church Programme and when eventual profits need to be used for further development of the farms themselves. (See MRID Report).

13. Tenders on our Mission Farms (IV-1a)

This be referred to the Board of Trustees.

14. Farms "in Business" (IV-1b)

See No. 12 above.

15. Tithing (V-1a)

Stewardship is everything of all we are and have, and should be voluntary. Out of all that we have we should pledge. (Refer to Stewardship)

B. Recommendations to the Board of Education

1. Refer to the Board of Education for more information. (I-4)

2. We urge BOFAC to look into the need for housing students at Sunnyside. The Continuation Committee feels that dormitories for Sunnyside should have a higher priority. (1-3)

3. The Continuation Committee asks the Executive Secretary of Education to look into the future of our educational institutions. It may be important to find out what has happened and is happening in other African countries as far as relationship goes between Church and State.

C. Conference Calendar:

1. We warn the Conference regarding having too many special Sundays with offerings. (II-4)

CONCLUSION:

The Consultation was primarily called to consider means

of raising money in the face of the proposed budget cuts of 1974. Out of this, however, rises another question; namely, how do we want to spend our money in years to come? Do we set aside enough time and offer enough thought to the details of priorities as outlined in our budget categories. Also, is it not time that we review the mission and purpose of our Church in Rhodesia. This may be the task of some already constituted committee or committees of our Conference. It could also be considered the task of some other groups as the Conference may prefer.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONS

In 1973 the relationship with our sister churches made little progress; that is, we are moving along—let us carry on what we are doing.

Report on church Unity Talks: Dr M. Culver reported that eight of the major churches in Rhodesia have been discussing unity for about six or eight years. He said that they have started a common ground of faith and are continuing to discuss it. He added that they have an active committee on MINISTRY trying to come to a common understanding of Ministry. He went on to say that Ministry was the central issue of unity. Acceptance of one another's ministry would clarify the issue of sacraments. The organization of a unified church has only been discussed briefly.

He stated that the progress was slow, but recommended that we continue to be active participants in the Unity Talks. He also recommended that our delegation should include 3 lay persons, and that the delegation should suggest a wider dialogue between pastors on the subject of Unity.

Other recommendations were:

- (a) While theological considerations associated with the Unity and the Holy Sacraments retard immediate progress toward church Unity, we recommend that we begin or improve on the unity in the areas of church societies (such as R.R.W., M.M.C., U.M.Y.F.) and the sharing of pulpits by ministers.

(b) We urge the minister Fraternals to recognize the values of unity and ministers to set up fraternals where they do not exist or strengthen them where they are weak.

Interdenominational Cooperation: Joint Building Projects.

(a) Discussions are continuing with a number of denominations regarding the building of new churches in urban areas. Wherever possible we urge our members to be willing to enter into discussions with other churches for this purpose.

(b) A short talk from Rev. John Dube about the relationship between The United Methodist Church and The United Church of Christ indicate the strong feelings for the two denominations working together as one church in future.

(c) Rev. K. Choto reported attending the committee meetings in Beira. He reported encouraging progress taking place in that area, and the Rev. Mandimutsira is serving as a minister in one of the townships there and added that Rev. Mandimutsira and his family are very happy down there.

THE ECUMENICAL ARTS ASSOCIATION

The Ecumenical Arts Workshop was held at Hartzell High School.

A record attendance was 157 participants.

It was fruitful in Music, Art, Drama and Writing under the leadership of: -

Music—Rev. J.E. Kaemmer—UMC

Art—Dr. M. Johnson—UMC

Writing—Mr. P. Chidyausiku—RCC

Drama—Fr. D. Pearce—Anglican

Director—P. Matsikenyiri—UMC

A Ecumenical Holy Communion was led by the Rev. Samuel Munjoma with the help of the Chaplain of the Workshop, Rev. Herbert Chikomo and Rev. Canaan Banana. All denominations present participated in full without question.

Thanks to the Station Chairman—Rev. S. Munjoma, The Headmaster Mr. A. Dangarembga, and the Boarding

Director—Mr. W. Marima for their wonderful cooperation. Their full involvement in our morning devotions and evening activities was highly commended by all and made us all feel at home.

The Ecumenical Arts Association is progressing. Our annual dues are up to date as a member church.

The General Meeting was held in November and the following officers were elected to the Executive:-

Chairman: Axelsson—Lutheran

V. Chairman: Fr. Pearce—Anglican

Secretary: St. Margaret Partridge—Anglican

Treasurer: Phineas Ngorima—United Methodist

Arts Workshop:-

Director: P. Matsikenyiri—UMC

Music: P. Matsikenyiri—UMC

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Drama: Fr. D. Pearce—Anglican

Writing: P. Chidyausiku—RCC

Unfortunately our church is not making full use of the Arts Workshops. Not as many participants attend as we would expect.

We appeal to our church leaders to encourage Ministers and Laymen to attend as other denominations are doing.

Recommendations:

1. We recommend that four fraternal delegates, be sent to visit the Synod of the Methodist Church (UK) meeting in Salisbury this week. We suggest the names of O. Musuka, Dr. J. Kurewa, Mrs. S. Munjoma, and the U.M.Y.F. President.
2. For fraternal delegates to the conference of the United Church of Christ we recommend Rev. F. Kadenge and Mr. M. Mataranyika with P. Matsikenyiri as alternate.
3. We recommend the following for delegates to the Christian Council of Rhodesia:

Delegates:

Alternates

Bishop A.T. Muzorewa

D. Mudzengerere

M. Culver

A. Alvord

T. Curtis
I. Musamba
N. Dikanifuwa

J. Nderere
Mrs. D. Chikosi
Rev. L. Nyanungo

Mrs. D. Mudzengerere

4. We recommend as Delegates to the Ecumenical arts association:

H. Katedza, M. Johnson, E. Chieza, P. Matsikenyiri,
Alternates: I. Jemwa and L. Dikito.

5. We recommend that Rev. K. Choto be our representative to the Beira Committee. Alternate: Rev. M. Ball.

6. We wish to assure the United Church of Christ that we are still interested in continuing the unity talks with them when they feel they would like to do so.

*Acting Chairman — Rev. David Mudzengerere
Secretary — Lazarus Mandizha*

M.R.I.D. — 1974

This is a combined report of the three Land Agents and Nyadiri Ranching, representing the areas of land belonging to the Conference.

MUTAMBARA: Though there are still problems on the Mutambara farm, it is beginning to show a profit. The test cotton crop is doing well; the maize, vegetables, sunflowers, rabbits, chicken and now sheep are supplying local needs; and a project of Cold Storage Commission cattle is hoped for.

OLD UMTALI: This farm now carries an "A" Classification and, as recommended at the consultation, the process of Conference use of the Ngambi farm is moving forward to make it possible to develop it for commercial profit for the Conference.

NYAKATSAPA: This farm is progressing well and the group is working well together though there are still some problems with payment of leases.

ARNOLDINE: This farm also has problems with Leases and over-stocking and this has been taken to the Board of Trustees. There is now a tractor and irrigation available there. Sand is being sold to Gemshok Construction and the

money being paid to the Conference Treasurer. No copper mining is being done at this time.

GLENADA: There has been no development of the gum plantation to date as no funds have been available since this project did not appear on the advance special list for 1973. It is still hoped that this project can be started as it could be a real source of funds for the Conference in the future.

DENDERA: This has been a difficult year because of the drought. Water problems, food shortages and cholera with its many problems have caused this, but, as well as the medical work of the clinic, training is continuing in agriculture, literacy, and vocational training.

NYADIRI RANCHING: Now has a herd of 41 cattle, 20 cows, 20 calves, 1 old bull, and 30 sheep. There have been 8 births, 3 bull-calves sold and 2 calves died.

There is a great need for an evaluation of this project on the present budget. There has been insufficient capital and breeding stock from the beginning. One problem is contagious abortion from the bull, who is too old and is also a carrier of the disease. The reserve cattle also bring in disease, as the existing fencing is cut, and there is no dipping method at Nyadiri. Last year's drought made poor grazing and difficult care of the animals. The \$600 budget and that money which can be raised from wood cutting and vegetable gardening will hardly cover salaries and there is little left for expenses, such as sprays and medicines for dosing animals.

These sheep are the wrong type for open grass grazing and should be in fenced paddocks. They also need a good new ram. Again dosing for diseases is expensive.

A programme of Cold Storage Commission cattle also might help to increase profits, but fencing would be necessary in order to use this programme.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. We would like to request permission to seek funds from Bread For The World for extension of the work of

the Butchery in the Back Yard; we would like to ask for \$3136,00

2. It is recommended that all lands under the control of the Rhodesia Annual Conference should be managed and utilized to produce maximum benefits for the Conference as a whole. Maximum benefits should include efforts toward financial returns to assist the Conference, but should also be conducted in such a manner as to provide training in various skills which will assist our people toward a better way of life. To facilitate effective management of Conference lands, provision should be made for personnel at Conference level who would have the responsibility for co-ordinating, planning, and executing the programme. In this regard we would like to request the creation of the office of Agricultural Secretary in a similar manner to those seen in the educational and medical fields.

3. We request permission for the management of Arnol-dine Farm to be under MRID South and not with the Land Agent North because of distances.

4. (a) That as profits from the Ngambi farm come in, that all these profits go to the Conference. They will be workinng 20 acres in 1974, 70 acres in 1975, and 120 acres in 1976.

(b) That the Mutambara farm begin by giving 10% of their net profits to the Conference for 1974.

5. We suggest that there should be established at Mutambara farm and at Nyadiri, if feasible, an extension of the MRID project as at Old Umtali.

6. We recommend that all units operating on mission lands must keep books which show exactly the financial position on the land usage so that at each audit it can be clearly seen if the land is making profit.

7. We request permission to seek outside sources of money as capital for the Nyadiri Ranching Programme for fencing and breeding stock after a study has been made and specifics are given to BOFAC, probably in May, 1974. This item was returned to BOFAC.

Dorothy Bisby.....Secretary

Rev. F. Kadenge.....Chairman

Report of the Board of Medical Activities

(1) The budget for the 1974 was presented as follows:

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| Nyadiri | \$8500 |
| Old Umtali | \$3,000 |
| Mutambara | \$500 |

(2) Staffing

Coming to Nyadiri Dr. Frewing (possible), Sr. M. Braun,
Sr. Marty, Sr. From Sweden.

Going on furlough Sr. Lindgren May
Sr. C. Meier

Sr. M. Johansson Sept.

Leaving: Dr. & Mrs. Stone July

(3) The Board agreed to include:

1 D.S. from the North

1 D.S. from the South to be on the executive
of the Medical Board.

(4) Dr. Nelvig's request for the release of funds \$581,44
and \$21,24 was approved.

(5) Nyadiri, Maternity unit has received more funds from
Bread for the World and from N.Y.: About \$5,000 more
is still needed. The total asking for the unit is \$40,000.
They urged that building should start as soon as possible.

(6) Sr. M.Johansson's request for the release of \$300 to
purchase mattresses was approved.

(7) Nurses Training School is in urgent need of renova-
tions and new equipment. It has an enrolment of 72 stu-
dents. A new class of 21 studnets is expected this year.
We need to be aware that the Ministry of Health now
encourages training of male nurses.

(8) Resolutions presented for emphasis by the Conference
during 1974:

(a) Resolved that we encourage all ministers over the
age of 40 to have an annual physical check-up by a doctor.

(b) Resolved that we endorse the idea of family plan-
ning or spacing our children for better health of children
and mothers.

(c) Resolved that we encourage the building of safe water supplies by our people to prevent typhoid, cholera and intestinal illness. This can be done by each local community in cooperation with Government Health assistance programmes.

(d) Resolved that we feed our children a nutritious diet which includes milk.

(1) OLD UMTALI REPORT — 1973

The year started very well with medical help being given to an increased number of patients at Old Umtali Centre and the District clinics. Unfortunately Dr. Runyowa left at the end of June and was not replaced. This left a problem situation which will not easily be solved. However we are trying to continue the work with emphasis on maternity care, child care, and family planning as a means of preventing illness.

(2) MUTAMBARA HOSPITAL - 1973

Progress has been the key word at Mutambara this year. The building programme has resumed after a lull since 1970. A new Nurses Aids' dormitory, primarily financed by Beit Trust is ready for occupancy, as well as a new outpatient - reception block. The government has promised a building grant of 50% of the outpatient - reception unit which has enabled us to proceed with the building of the lab-surgery-x-ray unit. When renovations of the present kitchen to become a 15 bed TB unit and the present Nurses Aids' dormitory to become the hospital kitchen are complete, the building programme will be finished here. Another very useful addition completed were the new relatives-outpatients units.

Our staffing has been fairly constant. Sister Francis Lenth who was with us one year as a volunteer, left us, but Rosemary Musimbo joined our staff as a SRN.

The hospital now has 104 beds with government approval of 95 general beds and 12 TB beds. Our bed occupancy the first 6 months of this year was 94%.

Our outreach continues to embrace an area roughly

50 miles in radius from Mutambara to Umtali to Birch-
enough Bridge to Melsetter to Dombe and Vila Pery in
Mozambique. All manner of illness is seen and treated
or referred to the appropriate centre. Also we treat black
and white, Rhodesian and Portuguese people with, we
hope, the same degree of concern and efficiency.

As our building comes to an end, we must look to pro-
gress in the preventive medicine area as we try to encour-
age better hygiene diets, better water, and facilities,
and better attitudes toward planning and caring for our
families. We shall try to do this by having more opportuni-
ties to teach and talk to the people.

Sincerely,
Donald B. Rudy, M.D.

(3) **NYADIRI HOSPITAL REPORT — 1973**

The continuing problem at Nyadiri has been the deficit
in the operating budget. In the past two years this has
improved, as confirmed by the audits, but with the further
decrease in church contribution to the budget, there is
some fear that this improvement cannot be maintained
without significant changes in hospital policy.

In 1973 the hospital treated 6400 in-patients, over 13,000
out-patients and delivered over 1500 babies—all an increase
over 1972. TB has shown a decrease.

Our eight district clinics treated many thousands more
and delivered hundreds of babies. We are also visiting two
Council clinics in a cooperative effort. We must consider
our clinic programme one of our most effective and ef-
ficient means of outreach. These clinics are almost com-
pletely self-sufficient.

There have been many drastic personnel changes, includ-
ing the unfortunate death of Sister Rhem. Several of the
top positions are in a state of flux. We regret the leaving
of Mrs. Kapenzi, our matron for 12 years.

We have had multiple equipment problems. A new
district ambulance was purchased. The X-ray unit required
expensive repairs, and our antiquated boiler is causing

trouble. Both these items will require expenditure in 1974.

Money has finally been obtained for the maternity unit and we hope to start building in 1974.

The Nyadiri Hospital Board met twice in 1973 and is becoming more active in the affairs of the hospital. This Board recommended the observance of a Conference wide Medical Day.

B. Stone, M.D. for Dr. D. Sadza.

(4) **THE UNITED METHODIST DENTAL CLINIC, HIGHFIELD**

The Methodist Dental Clinic has been open full time during 1973.

Instruction about care of teeth is given as much as possible to every patient: Repeated intake of sweet things and sweet drinks should, by all means, be avoided. The teeth should be brushed always after any food consumption. In this way teeth do not really have to become decayed or loose.

Besides the information and education given to patients, the most frequent procedures are: pulling of teeth,, cleaning of teeth, fillings and plates.

As the budget for the clinic is going to be cut altogether for 1974, it is good that the Swedish Methodist Church still sends money for the running of the clinic. Dentist in charge is Dr. MARGRET NELVIG.

Memoirs

George Arthur Roberts was born to Christian parents April 24, 1882, in Marathon, Iowa. His early life on the farm gave him an interest in agriculture, a reverence for life and a love of the soil which never left him. A missionary from China stayed in their home when he was only four, and her visit and subsequent letters made a lasting impression. Teaching Sunday School and active in the Student Volunteer Movement while studying agriculture at Iowa State University, he immediately felt God's call to Africa after hearing Bishop Hartzell and others at one

conference. Following graduation and a year's service in Oregon with the Y.M.C.A. he arrived in Rhodesia and Umtali in 1907. Old Umtali soon felt his influence as meat, fresh vegetables, and fresh milk became available. Far reaching effects resulted from his introduction of pig farming, dairying, demonstration plots using manure, the use of the plough, and contour ridging for the first time in Rhodesia. The first man to be convinced to buy a plough was Mr. Abraham Kawadza in 1908.

George Roberts was an adventurer. In 1909 he, Mr. Job Tsiga, and five school boys walked cross country from Old Umtali taking some farm animals to Dr. Gurney's new clinic at Kanyasi, between Mrewa and Nyadiri. He introduced brickmaking and building into the school syllabus in 1909.

In 1912 he married a fellow teacher at Old Umtali, Miss Bertha Fowles. Their sons Tudor and Thomas were born in 1915 and became living examples of healthy twins.

In 1921 George Roberts completed his studies for the ministry and was ordained deacon and elder in the Rhodesia Annual Conference. Already active in the development of Sunday Schools throughout the area, and well-loved as a teacher, he now became a pastor as well. He served in the Old Umtali, Gandanzara, Mutambara and Nyadiri areas as pastor-teacher and, later, as Superintendent and principal. He was principal at Nyadiri at the time of his retirement in 1950. He loved Rhodesia and her people so well that he found it difficult to leave and bought a farm near Mutambara near the Tudor Roberts. (They lost Thomas during World War II.) Reverend Roberts continued to give advice and to preach even in retirement.

Bertha Fowles Roberts died in 1957 after forty-five years of marriage. Later he married Miss Lulu Tubbs, their longtime missionary friend and neighbour, who assisted him in writing the Book "Let Me Tell You a Story." In 1963 the Roberts left Rhodesia for Florida, U.S.A. where our "Maburo" passed away peacefully July 29, 1973. He

is survived by his wife, six grandchildren and a great grandson.

G.A. Roberts often said "Good agriculture and good religion go together" and by precept and example he witnessed to and encouraged both, working long days beside his school boys through the years.

Pearl Willis Jones, affectionately known as Sister Billie Jones, passed away in Falls Church, Virginia, July 22nd, 1973, following a stroke a week earlier. She continued to live a very active life until this time in spite of recently celebrating her eightieth birthday. In an enthusiastic letter to a Rhodesian friend written July 3rd she seemed her usual vibrant and energetic self, appreciative of recent visits of several Rhodesians in her home, including a Rhodesian student who spent many happy weeks with her during his first year in America.

A registered nurse, Sister Billie served many years as a missionary nurse in China after her husband's death, and in Burma during World War II before coming to Rhodesia in 1950. She gave ten full fruitful years to the organization and operation of clinics in the Nyadiri District — the Chitimbe, Maramba, Dindi and Mashambanhaka Clinics were the first to be started under her guidance and supervision between 1952 and 1955. Much financial backing was a direct result of her efforts, especially for Chitimbe and Dindi. Chikwizo Clinic was also a part of her vision and planning. Our first full-time district nurse, she also taught nutrition and homemaking skills, carrying lectures and posters, sewing machines and supplies with her and was responsible for the realization of a woman's club house at Chitimbe. She encouraged the construction and use of brick Dutch ovens and shared many practical, nourishing recipes. She also served one year nursing at Old Umtali during one of Sister Alice Whitney's furloughs.

Many will recall Sister Billie's "Blue Angel" which she drove up from Durban alone—an angel of mercy carefully designed and outfitted to carry the first nurses and basic medical supplies to new clinics in previously neglected areas of much suffering and death.

Christian dedication and concern for others motivated Sister Billie Jones' whole life, and happy memories and inspiration remain with us.

Esther Rehm was born in Lausanne, Switzerland on May 5, 1938. Following high school Esther had further training in a French home-economics school and in a secretarial college. For a few years she was a secretary in Switzerland.

The Rev. Franz Schafer (now Bishop) was her Pastor when she was confirmed and joined the Methodist Church in Lausanne, and her dedication to Christ never wavered. An early interest in foreign mission work led to her return to nurses training in Lausanne where she became a registered nurse in 1966.

From February, 1967 until October, 1970 she gave herself wholeheartedly to her work in Rhodesia as a well-loved nurse at Nyadiri, following a short language study period at Nyakatsapa, a study she continued throughout her service in Rhodesia.

Between October, 1970 and December, 1972 she had further difficult studies in Lausanne where she was happy to be able to be with her widowed mother during these furlough months. She was preparing for teaching nurses and passed with honours, returning to Nyadiri United Methodist Hospital in January, 1972, to the joy of her many friends in Rhodesia. She was appointed to follow Sister Elma Ashby, retired, as director of the Medical Assistants Training School at Nyadiri, where she worked hard with Christian dedication to send out well-trained young nurses to the people of Rhodesia.

March 17, 1973, Sister Esther Rehm died as a result of an auto accident, only one week before the graduation of her first class of nurses. Her sorrowing family consented to her burial in Rhodesia and the Rev. Otto Scheutzger, family friend and the President of the Board of Missions of the United Methodist Church of Switzerland, came for her funeral. She was buried near the Nyadiri Babyfold, whose children received so much of her time and love.

"Sister Esther's light shone through racial darkness.

She had extraordinary qualities of serving and loving people regardless of race or colour." (Bishop A.T. Muzorewa).

Ngariende Report

Ngariende Committee held a meeting at Macheke on the 8th September, 1973. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss sending two people to Hippo Valley to investigate the possibility of establishing a United Methodist Church there.

Rev. Chiza and Rev. Nyamukapa have been asked to go on this trip, and these people are asked to go as soon as possible. They will be joined by two other people from urban circuits.

BOTSWANA MISSIONARY: Our missionary, Rev. Chikodzi, wrote a letter to Ngariende Committee, expressing appreciation to the Conference for sending him to Botswana and for the support he is getting from the Conference. He was welcomed by the people in Botswana at the time of his arrival. Many of them gave him different types of gifts. He started his missionary work in August 1973. The Church Membership he found there was 199 full members. And now the membership is 249 full members, 83 probationers and 64 beginners. Children baptised numbered 92. People are being taught to give offerings (Parano). At one meeting they collected the sum of R\$53,35. They have the same system of sending the money to the treasurer, as we do here.

CLINIC: They have newly built a clinic at Masungande. Due to the shortage of money the nurse comes twice a month to the clinic to see the patients. President Sir Tseretse Khama came to greet them and is very thankful to the Conference for sending a man to preach to his people. He was thanked for his co-operation. For your information, the Chikodzis have a new baby boy called Abel Tumai Tseretse Ngariende.

MAUN SECONDARY SCHOOL: The school now has a three-stream intake and goes to Form III. The first graduates of the school were produced in November 1973. Certain

problems have been encountered at the school because of the high turnover of staff. Our own missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Uqucio, remain at Maun giving effective service. We're hoping that the staff will be more permanent with the appointment of Miss Grace Otto and Miss Vivian Otto to the staff. Rev. and Mrs. Stine leave Maun at the end of 1973, after long and faithful service, and their place is being taken by Mr. and Mrs. G. Fleshman. We are grateful to Bishop Muzorewa and his cabinet for the secondment of both the Stines and the Fleshmans.

Committee Activities: The Committee met once during the year, in Maun in August. Rhodesia Annual Conference members of the committee are Messrs. Musamba, Muziti, Murphree and Miss Johannsson. In addition, Mr. Dangarembga and Mr. Chibanguza are members of the Maun Board of Governors.

Evangelist, Tati District: After much delay, Rev. and Mrs. Chikodzi finally left for their appointment in Botswana in July. R35 of his salary is paid by the U.C.C.S.A. in Botswana, the balance of \$26,60 per month is paid by the Botswana Committee. The Committee also pays R.10 per month for Rev. Chikodzi's travel and has provided him with a motorcycle.

Finance: At Central Conference in 1972 the total budget for our Botswana work was set at US\$6,750 per annum. (Approximately \$4000 Rhodesian) Assessments per Conference were made as follows:

| Conference | US\$ |
|------------------------|---------|
| Rhodesia | 1,150 |
| Southern Zaire | 1,150 |
| Central Zaire | 1,150 |
| Mozambique | 900 |
| Angola | 900 |
| Northern Shaba (Zaire) | 750 |
| Liberia | 750 |
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| | \$6,750 |

The Rhodesian share of this amount is US\$1,150, or approximately \$680 Rhodesian. At the time of writing, the three Zaire Conferences and Mozambique had paid their 1973 assessments. Angola and Rhodesia had not paid theirs, but it is possible that Mr. Musamba has received some Ngariende money and can report on it. The books were audited in December 1973 by Mr. Shryock and Mr. Messenger.

Appreciation: The Committee is extremely grateful to Bishop Muzorewa, the Cabinet, and the Rhodesia Annual Conference for the special help it has given the Botswana work. I speak here especially regarding the appointment of Rev. and Mrs. Stine, Mr. and Mrs. Fleshman and Rev. and Mrs. Chikodzi. We are also grateful for the secondment of Mr. Schevenius to Maun during the period February -July when the Stines were on leave, and for the services of Mr. Shryock and Mr. Messenger, as auditors. In a very special way the Rhodesia Annual Conference has contributed to the start and growth for our Central Conference work.

CHIKWIZO DAM: The dam has been built to the limited height allowable for private dams. Before completed, in March of last year, it was filled to its capacity at that time and the water lasted up until August. Even then it might have lasted longer if proper fencing could have kept out the cattle and goats. Much of the work has been done by the school committee and students, directed by their teachers. The church leaders should be given a vote of thanks for their interest and hard work. Cement work and reinforcement for the spillway are the only things left to be done on the dam. The pastor reports that rains received during the past two weeks have completely filled the dam and the spillway is working to rid the stream of the excess water. The people of Chikwizo express their thanks to this Conference and especially to Ngariende. We plan to dedicate the dam at the first quarterly meeting in 1974. A complete financial report will be sent to the

Ngariende Board following payment of all bills for supplies and labour after the dedication.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) We recommend that BOFAC give travel money to the two people from Ngariende Committee and two from Urban Ministry asked to go to Hippo Valley, in addition to the \$6,00 raised by the Ngariende Committee.

(2) We recommend that the Ngariende Sunday should be made known to people in advance, and to encourage the raising of funds for Ngariende, concerts could be started in circuits.

Rev. Chiza (Chairman)

Rev. P.B.T. Mudiwa (Secretary)

Stewardship Task Force Report

1 (a) The Task Force accepts the recommendation from the Consultation that a manager be appointed by Cabinet to run the Highway Butchery bought at Old Umtali. We then recommend that BOFAC provide the manager with capital to begin this business concern and then have operation commence as of 1st March 1974.

(b) We further recommend that a committee comprised of three members at Old Umtali be appointed by the Chair to work with the manager.

(2) We recommend that the Mission Press contribution towards the Conference be referred to BOFAC, as recommended by the Consultation.

(3) We recommend that the Conference, through the Conference auditor, receive a minimum of 10% of the net gain of the following shops: Nyadiri Hospital shop, Hartzell Tuck shop, and Market Square Book Room. This item was referred to BOFAC.

W.F. Marima (Chairman)

Mr. M. Mataranyika (Secretary)

At the 1973 session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference, Bishop Muzorewa lifted up as one guiding theme the subject of Stewardship. It was during this same year that the Board of Missions informed our Conference of the

radical cuts which had to be anticipated for the coming year. Undoubtedly, at this 1974 session of Conference, the financial situation will be referred to on numerous occasions, and reports will be made to indicate the degree of success that we have found. Having visited many churches, the Conference Director of Stewardship would like to present a few observations.

1. The importance of taking seriously the organization. Handling and reporting of money must continue to be emphasized. When this is done, we not only become the good stewards that God asks us to be but also we, in a sense, affirm our own dignity as people and as a church. Is this not an essential need in the context of our situation in Rhodesia today?

2. Growth has taken place in systematic giving through pledging. The Conference is indebted to the many laymen who have done much to encourage this organized giving. To this systematic method plus the regular Sunday offerings, special emphasis was given this year to Harvest Sunday. As numerous reports indicate, many churches and circuits did better this year, in spite of the drought, than they did in the previous year of abundance. Nyakatsapa Circuit, which was lifted up as a teaching example, illustrates this point. The Harvest Sunday proved more abundant this year than last year. Of course many churches and circuits accomplished little. Rain is always a factor. However, the desire to organize and a proper spirit are factors that are just as important.

3. Another emphasis was made this year. An approach was prepared to African businessmen and women in Rhodesia who have been related to the United Methodist Church, many of whom are now directly and actively engaged in church work. They were asked to make their Harvest Thanksgiving through a gift of money to the Conference Treasurer. Even though the response was limited, this approach warrants continuation. Not only is this a way to raise money, but also it is a way of relating these people to the church.

Many of these donors sent an accompanying letter. The

comments of one, who was particularly generous in his gift, is also instructive to us. He doesn't speak as one who lives at a United Methodist Centre or who comes as delegate to Annual Conference. And yet it may be wise to hear his words: "I feel that it must be brought home to all our workers that it is no longer the olden days when we were young and we used to be fed funds from overseas.... People should appreciate the idea we (business men) believe that money put into poor hands will produce poor results." This particular businessman along with his sizeable gift is also urging us to be aware of the need for *responsibility in the handling of money.*

4. Finally, as we give emphasis to Stewardship, let us bear in mind that as we read the Discipline the stress is on all of life. To give emphasis to only one aspect can put our emphasis out of balance. Hence, the words of Bishop Azariah in his book "*Christian Giving*" make a point in 1974 that is worthy of consideration. "The goal of 'self support' can become a real hinderance to the full development of the churches. Pastors and lay leaders of churches, church council, and missions sometimes come to be fully occupied with plans calculated to take them to this goal, paying little attention to evangelism. Evangelism is the life-blood of the church. If evangelism occupies a minor place in the programme and budget of the Church, it will not be long before its spiritual life will occupy a minor place too, spelling spiritual lethargy and death." Now, self-support in a church is a necessary goal to strive towards. Good stewardship will undoubtedly lead us to this goal. However, let us make stewardship our main emphasis and self-support will come naturally as a fruit to our work in stewardship.

As we look to this new year, with continued stress on "kuronga" in respect to finance, systematic giving, and Harvest Sunday, we hope that we may work with the Spirit that will enable the "Simukai" church to grow.

C. Miller, Conference Director of Stewardship

Shona Language Study

1. We are grateful for our missionaries, Mrs. Sue Messenger, Rev. Frank Messenger and Mrs. Ruth Shryock, for taking time to attend Shona courses at Ranch House College in 1973.
2. We strongly encourage all missionaries to study Shona and use it more often in speaking.
3. Since Ranch House can provide some short courses suiting all persons, we urge those missionaries who are doing private studies at home to attend also short Ranch House College courses.

RECOMMENDATIONS: We recommend Mrs. Verna Culver to take up the Shona Language Study directorship for 1974.

Rev. E. Kuwana (Chairman)

Rev. M.J. Muchanyerei (Secretary)

Commission on Minimum Salary

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. The D.S. and the District Finance Committee should try their best to help the circuits that are failing to meet their budgets: This could be done by giving advice or by inviting leaders from other nearby circuits.
2. We recommend that B.O.F.A.C. release up to the sum of up to \$2000,00 from the Conference assessments towards minimum salary. This money should be distributed among the District Superintendents who know the needy circuits.

C.S. Zisengwe (Chairman)

T.J. Nderere (Secretary)

Board of Ministry Report

The Board has met three times during the year to complete its work. The November meeting was primarily to interview candidates for Epworth Theological College, 1974. Six candidates were considered, but funds available at this time limited the in-take to one married man and one single man.

Epworth Theological College: The new constitution

has now been put into effect and the new council organised early this year. In 1973 twelve United Methodist students completed the year's work there, three of whom completed the fourth and final year and became eligible for election as probationary members of the Annual Conference and for ordination as travelling deacons.

A. Recommendations concerning Epworth:

1. The committee appointed by conference last year (Journal, p.127, item 8) to study the possibility of introducing fees reported to the Board. The Board recommends that each new United Methodist student accepted at Epworth shall be expected to pay yearly, the amount of \$60,00 towards the cost of his education at Epworth. This policy is to begin this year, 1974. Payment should be made to the conference treasurer.
2. If funds are available, we recommend continuation of the policy whereby each United Methodist student upon completion of his studies in the fourth year at Epworth will receive the amount of \$30,00. (Source: Theological Scholarship Fund).
3. Field Education Funds for United Methodist Students at Epworth:

We request a total of \$400,00 for 1974 for field education and holiday training for students. (From BOFAC)

B. Recommendations concerning Continuing Education:

1. We propose the establishment of a sub-committee of the new Board called the *sub-committee on continuing education of ministers*.

Its duties shall be:-

- a. To act in an advisory capacity to
 - (i) those wanting to take advanced courses such as "O" and "A" level school work.
 - (ii) those intending to enter universities in Africa.
 - (iii) those intending advanced studies overseas.
- b. To observe and advise on progress of each of the above.
- c. To keep contact with those studying outside Rhodesia in order to keep them closely related to the Church here.

d. To provide and advise concerning refresher courses and pastors' schools.

e. To recommend advanced courses and books for ministers.

2. We request the amount of \$200,00 from BOFAC for ministers' books. We suggest, however, that each minister should pay his own subscription to UMBOWO, and that this money be used specifically for books as selected by the committee.

C. General recommendations:

1. We recommend that a form letter be sent out by the Board in good time before each annual conference reminding all non-resident members of conference of their responsibility to request renewal of their appointment by the annual conference, and seeking information about these members for our records.

2. The Board notes that the name of Martin Chikanya was dropped from the Disciplinary Question 13 (Who remain on Trial?) in 1968, though his name has continued to appear in the conference roll on Trial. We ask that conference allow the Board secretary to investigate this matter and that he be empowered to correct the Journal accordingly when the correct information is obtained.

3. We re-iterate the need for a Conference Handbook and recommend that, if necessary, the committee be re-constituted so that interested and qualified people will soon produce it. (Referred to Board of the Ministry)

D. Information:

1. The Board of the Ministry for the new quadrennium has met to organise and has selected the following officers: chairperson—Josiah Kurewa, Registrar-secretary: Joseph B. Bisby.

Samuel Munjoma (Chairman)
Joseph Bisby (Secretary)

Ministry To Women

I. Programme and Project and Equipment Money.

Under the new system of money raising, BOFAC has approved that we may raise \$4000,00 (\$800 for each District)

if raised under the heading "Ministry to Women" for 1974, to be used for projects and programmes for women's work in all five districts. All committee members plus other interested women of the Conference are being asked to write letters to overseas contacts. We asked Mrs. Curtis, our Corresponding Secretary, to frame two sample letters, explaining our projects and need for funds and send these letters along with a list of addresses of retired and former missionaries to all members of this committee for their use as a guide in writing to overseas contacts. Also, locally, women are raising money to be used for these projects. The corresponding Secretary will also include this information in her sample letters to show what is being done locally by the women.

A. Equipment Money:

For our Homecraft Clubs and Nhamburiko DzeUpenyu School, we would like to purchase the following equipment:

(1) Women's Clubs:

2 stoves and 2 sewing machines for each of the five districts.

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| 10 stoves at \$70,00 each | \$700,00 |
| 10 sewing machines at \$70,00 each | 700,00 |

(2) School Leavers schools:

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| 2 sewing machines and 1 cupboard per district. | |
| 10 sewing machines at \$70,00 | \$700,00 |
| 5 storage cupboards at \$80,00 | 400,00 |

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| Total | \$2500,00 |
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B. Project and Programme Money:

This means \$500 per District for equipment and the remaining \$300 per District will be for programme and projects. This, remember, is if we raise \$4000 in 1974.

II. Request from Nyakatsapa Homecraft School:

The secretary of the school reports these needs to us:

(1) water system; (2) tables and chairs (3) classroom block. We refer the request back to the Board of Directors of Nyakatsapa School. When they have learned

from the Conference Building Inspector the cost of the classroom block, and the cost of the water system, tables chairs and have these amounts approved by BOFAC, we authorize our Corresponding Secretary to send a letter to Mrs. Rose Catchings, Ministry to Women, asking her for assistance in securing the funds.

III. Sunnyside Dormitory:

Our Committee has written Mrs. Catchings about the work of the women in our Conference and has pointed out the urgent need at Sunnyside for a dormitory. This dormitory is listed on the approved non-recurring projects for the quadrennium.

IV. Africa Women's Fund:

A. Through a letter of inquiry from Mrs. Rose Catchings, it was discovered that we never received US\$15,000 for Secondary School Scholarships for girls. This was part of the Africa Women's Fund. We have requested this money and asked if it is still possible for her to send it stressing the need for scholarship money.

B. Balance on hand—\$1881,44:

The money on the Field Treasurer's books is left from the Training Seminars for Women and short courses for Women's training of the Africa Women's Fund which was given by Mrs. Catching's committee in 1969.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That we hold our own seminars at Nyakatsapa during the holidays. The Committee felt they wanted to help uplift as many women as possible with this money.

(2) That we hold a two-week training course during the April holiday this year to include five Nhamburiko DzeUpenyu teachers (one from each District) and three women from each District for Homecraft classes. The Districts are to pay for the travel expenses for the people they send. The Chairman and Corresponding Secretary of this Committee will arrange for the convenors of the course in consultation with Mrs. Messenger and Mrs. Nyandoro.

(3) We allocate \$600,00 from this balance of the African Women's Fund to be sent to the convenor, when she

is appointed, to be used for food at the short course, programme expenses and travel for teachers who will be invited to conduct lessons. We request this convenor to send a list of expenses to the Chairman of Ministry to Women Committee and to return any unused funds to the Field Treasurer to credit Africa Women's Fund account.

(4) We allocate \$300,00 of the Africa Women's Fund balance to be used for Rukwadzano Leadership Training course to be held in April 1974. This is to be paid from the Field Treasurer's books to one of the co-deans when she requests it.

Mrs. C. Miller (Chairman)

Mrs. J. Makawa (Secretary)

Rukwadzano Report

The Rukwadzano rweVadzimai's motto of serving Christ and others is being fulfilled each year. This was revealed by the reports of the circuits which were able to send their reports on time. The following services were rendered to give help in different ways: the sick in homes and hospitals were visited and mourners received sympathy, widows and widowers, orphans, cripples, blind and other people in need were helped. Those married in the church were given gifts. Shrouds for those who passed away were made.

In attempting to serve others throughout the whole Conference, the following things were given: 600 articles of dresses, shirts, etc., to Nyadiri Hospital, 3 bags and 3 tins of nuts to Epworth Children's Home, 8 dresses from Mrewa District, 400 articles from Umtali South to Mutemwa Leprosy Camp. Throughout the Conference \$1 683,75 in cash was used to help others.

R.R.W. ANNUAL MEETINGS:

The Northern section of the Annual Meeting was at Nyadiri Campground. This was a joint meeting of Vabvuwu, U.M.Y.F. and R.R.W. There was a great uplifting of souls through Bishop A.T. Muzorewa's services. The Word of God worked in his people. We were greatly honoured by having our Bishop and Mrs. A.T. Muzorewa, Chief

Mtoko and Chief Nyajina. Nine thousand people attended the meeting.

The Southern section of the Annual Meeting was held at Dambakurimwa. The guest speaker was Rev. Dube from Rusitu. There was a great uplifting of souls. We were greatly honoured by Bishop A.T. Muzorewa's wife. Chiefs who attended our meeting were Chiefs Maranke, Mtasa, Makoni, Mutambara, Muparutsa, Muusha, and Chief Zimunya with his six Kraal Heads. The chiefs greeted the meeting and presented a gift of \$42,80. The R.R.W. choir sang very well indeed. Twelve thousand partook the Holy Communion. An offering of \$130,00 was given at the meeting for various needs.

The women are not in favour of the joint meeting of Wabvuwi, U.M.Y.F. and R.R.W., but would like a joint meeting of the Northern and Southern sections of R.R.W. once a quadrennium.

DUMBA REPORT:

Dumba was held at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Highfield, in the Salisbury-Bulawayo District, from 12th to 14th of December, 1973. The following recommendations came from the meeting:

- (1) Dumba agreed to give \$500,00 to the work of evangelism.
- (2) It voted to give a loan of \$300,00 for travel of Easter Bepete to England for nursing if her name is passed by the Scholarship Committee.
- (3) \$10,00 was voted as a gift to Maponongwe for church building, in Mrewa District.
- (4) \$25,00 was voted for the co-ordinator of church clubs and school-leavers clubs.
- (5) \$206,36 was voted for officers and advisors.
- (6) \$1518,00 was voted for Nyakatsapa Training Centre.
- (7) Each district is going to help classes of Nhamburiko dzeUpenyu with \$20,00 to buy material with which to start the year 1974.
- (8) We recommend that Mrs. A.T. Muzorewa and Rev. M. Ball work with the group on World Day of Prayer. The money collected on that day should be sent to Mrs. A.T. Muzorewa.

(9) Mrs. Huddleston and Mrs. Kadenge were elected as co-deans of Leadership Training, Umtali South, from April 29-May 3, 1974.

(10) Mrs. Chitsiku, Mrs. Mvudu and Mrs. E. Maenzanise were elected to make a syllabus for our Nhamburiko dze-Upenyu classes.

(11) Mrs. M. Culver and Mrs. L. Zimonte were elected to make a song booklet for R.R.W. to be sold at Dumba.

(12) Mrs. O. Mufudza, Mrs. S. Chihwai, Mrs. V. Culver and Mrs. E. Miller were elected as a committee to look into the problem of the inactive members of R.R.W..

(13) Dumba Committees for next year are: Budget, Finance, Questions, Nominations, Training Church Workers, Nyakatsapa, Committee on Clubs and School leavers, Fund Raising, and Membership.

NYAKATSAPA TRAINING CENTRE:

The R.R.W. are thankful for the wonderful work done at Nyakatsapa. The women are so grateful that they will continue working very hard to keep on improving the school. We thank Mr. G. Fleshman for the guidance and all the supervision of the Nyakatsapa work. We hope improvements and help begun by Mr. Fleshman will continue under Rev. Alvord. Mrs. D. Alvord was elected chairwoman of the Nyakatsapa Committee and Mrs. A. Eriksson was elected advisor for Nyakatsapa Training Centre.

NHAMBURIKO DZEUPENYU CLASSES:

These classes are very encouraging and the girls are showing great interest .

Dumba voted to continue giving more money for these classes for 1975 and 1976. In order to qualify for this aid the school should be started in 1974 and run successfully for a year. Let us all work hand in hand to keep these classes going.

WOMEN'S CLUBS:

Dumba discussed the women's clubs in the conference. The kind of club varies from district to district. It was recommended to have church clubs or start new ones

where possible, but otherwise the women join the clubs already there.

From a Consultation meeting held at Mrs. A.T. Muzorewa's house on October 13, 1973, a recommendation was made to work on a constitution for the United Methodist Homecraft Club. This was presented and discussed at Dumba. Some minor details still have to be worked out by the committee before it can be accepted.

In order to make the United Methodist Home Craft Club and the Nhamburiko dzeUpenyu clubs more effective, a co-ordinator was elected: Mrs. S. Messenger. Mrs. Nyandoro was elected vice co-ordinator.

GENERAL:

The committee for designing the Rukwadzano pin with the Methodist symbols, the cross and flame, presented the new pin. It was decided to sell the pin for 45 cents and it is available from the D.S. wives.

We thank the circuits for sending women to the Annual Conference and recommend that more circuits send delegates in the future to better enlighten our women's groups. We thank Bishop and Mrs. Muzorewa and the Conference for their help and advice. May God continue to bless the work of our Rukwadzano!

Officers: Northen Section—Chairman, Mrs. N. Dikanifwa; Vice Chairman, Mrs. D. Mushapaidze; Secretary, Mrs. J. Gurure; Vice Secretary, Mrs. L. Nyanungo; Advisor Mrs. C. Miller.

Southern Section: Vice Chairman, Mrs. S. Nyakuengama; Advisor, Mrs. M. Culver.

Mrs. T. Katsande

Mrs. D. Chikosi

MUSUMO WAVASAHOME WEGORE RA1973

Donzo: Kusandira Kristu nevamwe.

RUTIVI RWEKUTANGA (PART I)

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| Mari iyo tinayo zvinomumasure mwekuongororwa kwemabhuku 27-11-73 | \$107,42 |
| Mari yakapiwa padumba ra1973 | \$1845,35 |

Mari iyi inopangidzwa parutivi rweChipiri (Part II)

ZVIRO ZVAKABADHARWA

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| Mapini e R.R.W. | \$528,67 |
| Vanyori | \$58,23 |
| Mari yekufamba kweava vanhu: | |
| Vapangi vemazano | \$122,13 |
| Vabati vezvigaro naSahomwe | |
| Zvipo zvakatengwa | 4,64 |
| Mubadaro wemudzidzisi | \$54,00 |
| Nurses Loan | \$300,00 |
| Mari yese yakabadarwa | \$1067,67 |
| | 885,10 |

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| Mari isiri kupangidza mubhuku | 0,63 |
| Mari iri muCircuit Account, 31-12-73 | 885,73 |
| Mari iri muC.A.B.S. (Fixed Deposit) | \$3101,00 |
| Mari iri mu Savings Standard Bank | \$1162,83 |
| Mari isiri mu Saving Standard Bank (on Hand) | \$41,01 |
| Mari yese yevadzimai veRukwadzano musi wa- 31-12-73 | \$5190,57 |

RUTIVI RWE CHIPIRI (Part II)

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| Mari yakeunganidzwa zvakadai | | |
| Mrewa East | 34,27 | |
| Mrewa West | 30,75 | |
| Rupinda Circuit | 17,94 | |
| Rupinda zvikwerete | 3,64 | |
| Nyadiri Centre | 31,92 | |
| Zimunya North | 45,07 | |
| Zimunya North Zvikwerete | 11,00 | |
| Rusape Circuit | 11,70 | |
| Nyakatsapa Circuit | 66,26 | |
| Nyakatsapa Circuit Zvikwerete | 8,27 | |
| Maranke South Rupau 1972 and 1973 | 64,14 | |

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| Old Umtali Centre | 18,65 |
| Mrewa North Circuit | 49,60 |
| Mrewa North Zvikwerete | 1,50 |
| Mrewa North World Methodist Federation | 2,07 |
| Makoni Circuit | 19,34 |
| Chiduku South | 29,58 |
| Chiduku South zvikwerete | 2,75 |
| Inyanga Circuit | 16,38 |
| Maramba and Pfungwe | 18,72 |
| Mutambara East | 48,19 |
| Mutambara East zvikwerete | 1,28 |
| Mrewa West Circuit | 8,00 |
| Nhohwe Circuit | 33,02 |
| Nhohwe Circuit zvikwerete | 8,06 |
| Gandanzara Circuit 1972 and 73 Rupau | 54,60 |
| Mutambara South Circuit | 28,60 |
| Chizawana Circuit | 6,72 |
| Mutambara West Circuit | 20,50 |
| Mutambara Centre | 24,30 |
| Mundenda Circuit | 42,90 |
| Mutambara South Circuit zvikwerete | 4,50 |
| Zimunya South Circuit | 57,48 |
| Zimunya South zvikwerete | 8,33 |
| Honde Valley Circuit | 29,36 |
| Mrewa South Circuit | 46,34 |
| Chikwizo Circuit | 9,10 |
| Honde Valley Circuit zvikwerete | 6,77 |
| Chikwizo Circuit zvikwerete | 0,76 |
| Nyadiri Circuit | 46,33 |
| Muziti Circuit | 74,00 |
| Nyamuzuwe Circuit | 23,00 |
| Nyamuzuwe Circuit zvikwerete | 4,08 |
| Maranke Central Circuit | 37,76 |
| Mtoko South zvikwerete | 8,63 |
| Maranke North Circuit | 6,00 |
| Maranke North zvikwerete | 29,15 |
| Mrewa Centre zvikwerete | 3,93 |
| Mrewa Centre | 25,86 |
| Tanda Chikore Circuit | 27,56 |

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| Uzumba Circuit | 47,85 |
| Uzumba Circuit zvikwerete | 12,15 |
| Mtoko East Circuit | 62,45 |
| Mai Muzulu | 37,35 |
| Salisbury and Bulawayo District | 171,64 |
| Mtoko West Circuit | 51,44 |
| Mtoko West zvikwerete | 1,70 |
| Mtoko South Circuit | 56,99 |
| Mai Dikanifuwa | 7,50 |
| Maranke West | 11,75 |
| Mtoko North | 21,14 |
| Salisbury and Bulawayo District zvikwerete | 2,59 |
| Maranke North Circuit | 14,00 |
| Hilltop Circuit | 92,55 |
| Mufakose | 0,26 |
| St. Mark Church | 2,00 |
| Nhewe Circuit W.M.F. | 0,32 |
| Headlands Circuit zvikwerete | 8,00 |
| Headlands Circuit zvikwerete | 9,75 |
| Headlands Circuit W.M.F. | 0,39 |
| St. Paul's Church | 2,00 |
| Mari yakaunganidzwa kutenga zvipo | 4,74 |
| Mari yezvitendo kuna Mwari | 18,13 |
| Mrewa Centre mari ye W.M.F. yakapiwa kuna 1972 | |

MARI YESE PAMWE 1845,35

RUTIVI RWE CHITATU (Part III)

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| Mari yese yeVadzimai veRukwadzano 31-12-73 | 5190,57 |
| Mari yese isati yabhadharwa mingawa | |
| Nyakatsapa R.R.W. Training Centre | \$1518,00 |
| Uvangeri | 500,00 |
| Maponengwe Church | 10,00 |
| Mupangi wamazano wekudzasi | 26,00 |
| Pamwe chete yese | 2054,00 |
| Mari yedu yasara mumasure mwekubhadhara | |
| mingava | 3136,57 |
| Asi cherechedzai kuti mari iri mu CABS (Fixed | |
| Deposit \$3101,00.) | |

Iyi ndiyo mari yedu yatasara nayo muSavings Bank..... 35,57

Mai Clarice Nyamukapa

Mubati wehomwe ye R.R.W.

Wabvuwi South Report

Points to consider:

(1) Jesus said, "Follow me, I will make you fishers of men." Mark 1: 17.

(2) Our chairman, Mr. P.K. Mudiwa, is working very hard to promote the growth and movement of Chibvuwi in the South.

(3) The chairman had the privilege of attending many revival meetings throughout the South which were:

(a) U.M.Y.F. at Munyarari-Zimunya District and at Masvaure in Maranke District.

(b) M.U.M.C. at Denzva in Makoni District. This meeting was very well attended with most members arriving on the first day. This is one good thing which raised the spirit of worship. The message from the preachers was very good and stimulating. This, together with the good music from Mutambara area Wabvuwi, lifted every heart in worship. As a result of the good messages, we heard people give testimonies and confessions. There is one occasion where we had to hire a car to go and collect bad medicines possessed by someone ("nganga") to burn.

(b) R.R.W. at Dambakurimwa in Zimunya District. The message given by one of the members of the Wabvuwi, Mr. A. Chieza, was very stimulating.

(d) Joint meeting in the North. R.R.W., M.U.M.C. and at Nyadiri Campground. The chairman and one member of the Wabvuwi, Mr. M. Munhutu from Nyanyadzi, were among the preachers at this meeting.

(4) Dumba for 1973, held at Old Umtali Mission, 14th 15th December. Discussions were very fruitful but there were some problems which arose at this meeting.

(a) Weak local leaders for Wabvuwi.

(b) Poor contribution towards Rupawo—we doubt if such people ever support their local church and circuits financially or otherwise.

(5) Easter Programme—1973. Nyamaropa Report:

A group of Wabvuwi, Ruwadzano and U.M.Y.F. members went to Nyamaropa for the Easter celebration. This is in Inyanga Circuit. The spirit of worship was very high. Many people were helped spiritually. Many gave their testimonies and confessions. We encourage the North and South Wabvuwi groups to venture out into remote areas during the Easter celebration, e.g. Botswana, Nyamaropa, P.E.A. and Mkota.

(6) Money given to different requests, 1972-1973:

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| (a) Sunnyside | \$100,00 |
| (b) Tsopotsa Scholarship | 50,00 |
| (c) Ministers' Help | 100,00 |
| (Extension Workers | 20,00 |
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| Total | \$270,00 |
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Recommendations:

(1) We recommend a joint prayer meeting for the North and South Wabvuwi to meet at a central place.

(2) We recommend that if any Wabvuwi fails to pay the money for Rupawo, his membership be suspended and he not be allowed to preach.

Peter K. Mudiwa (Chairman)
N. Chiwara (Secretary)

WABVUWI NORTH REPORT

STRIVE TO HELP THE CHURCH REACH PEOPLE OF ALL RACES BY OUR BEING ITS HOLY ARMY "GOD BE OUR HELPER."

1. Leadership training courses were held only in two districts, namely: (a) Mrewa (b) Salisbury/Bulawayo. These leadership training courses were really fruitful and many people wanted the courses to continue.
2. Joint revival meetings were held at Nyadiri Camping ground. This meeting was one of the best ever held in our area. Many people met Christ in group-prayers. The sermons preached by our Bishop were very inspiring and

many people who do not attend church walked long distances to hear the Bishop preach.

The presence of Chief Nyajina of Uzumba T.T.L. and Chief Mtoko of Mtoko T.T.L. gave tune to the sermons.

3. The follow-up forms on Rupawo brought very encouraging rewards. Our membership has increased to over a thousand members.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. While we wait for the rural development Committee to study the possibility of establishing a programme for vocational education for school leavers,

(a) We have decided to give a full scholarship to one Form I student.

(b) We have prepared some pledge cards and donation envelopes to raise funds for our society.

(c) A sum of \$150,00 will be released to the annual conference treasurer to help Evangelism work in our Conference.

(d) A sum of \$50,00 has been set aside to help the Samuel Tsopotsa Scholarship fund. We give to Sunnyside \$30,00.

(e) We of the Vabvuwi-North have agreed to take turns, in organised groups, to lead prayers and services at Nyadiri hospital at intervals, according to districts.

(f) Leadership Training dates are as follows:

Mrewa District— 15-17 March

Mtoko-Nyadiri District— 22-24 March

Salisbury-Bulawayo District— 20-21 April

(h) Our Annual Convention Meeting will be held at Epworth on the 22-25 August 1974, (Salisbury - Bulawayo District).

May we all become more involved in the life of the church till the good is better and better best.

N.C.G. Kaseke (Chairman)

R. Kambarami (Secretary)

Church Music Service — Director's Report

Music has continued to play its effective role in the life of our Church in praising the Lord.

Church Choirs made several visits to different Districts, Circuits and Churches.

The Salisbury-Bulawayo District had more in this line, and several concerts and competitions were organised with success. We owe a great deal to this district for its creativity and its availability to the studio for recording and singing to the masses.

All the other Districts have also continued to invent new Shona texts to the existing English tunes. The texts prove to be touching sermons in themselves.

VISITS WITHIN THE CONFERENCE:-

I was able to attend and help at the Annual Vabvuwi Meeting and R.R.W. South and the District U. M. Y. F. Annual Meeting at their chairmen's requests.

I note with appreciation that a special Music session was provided for at the joint Meeting of Mrewa, Mtoko, Nyadiri and Salisbury Districts' U. M. Y. F., M. M. C. and R.R.W. programme. This was led by Mr. Jambwa. We encourage this to be continued and stepped up. I also attended this meeting.

I accepted an invitation to attend and help at the Hilltop Church Choir practice.

ECUMENICAL

I attended several meetings of the Ecumenical Arts Association: Executive and Annual General Meeting.

Bonda High School invited me to run week-end music sessions with the Forms I to VI in sections and the school choir in particular. The new songs learned served as part of their morning devotions and Sunday Service Hymns for the year 1973.

The Lutherans invited me to help at their workshop at Manama High School in Gwanda. I helped to teach their teachers and Ministers seven of my new compositions which they have asked permission to include in their 40-song Supplementary Hymnbook for the Church.

I visited Kwanongoma Music College to check through our song book which they are fitting into staff and tonic

solfa. Progress on this project is continuing. The book is expected to be ready this year although it has taken longer than expected due to pressure of work.

The Ministry of Education asked me to attend a two-week refresher course in Music at Kwanongoma College of Music, a credit to our Church.

A WORD TO THE CHOIRMASTERS

Kwanongoma has become a place where development in secular and religious music is underway. Choirmasters can write to the Principal, Kwanongoma College of Music, P. Bag T 5392, Bulawayo for Church Choir songs and School competition songs.

Many variations are being made to existing songs to make them sound fresh and new, for example: Lord I want to be a Christian, Silent Night, and Gloria are just a few of these songs with tunes having variations.

Printed in staff notation and tonic solfa, these songs can be got at about a cent or two per song.

Miss Ball has agreed to continue to complete the Church Choir Song Book which was started by Mr. J.E. Kaemmer.

ECUMENICAL ARTS WORKSHOP 1974

This will be in the Midlands area from 29th April to the 6th of May.

We asked Mr. Enoch Chieza, one of our prominent Choir Directors, to join the staff in Music at the Workshop. He will specialise in choir training and conducting and also will conduct the Workshop Choir.

Patrick Matsikenyiri

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. We note with appreciation the invitations extended to Music specialists throughout the Conference. Please make use of them.

2. We discourage constant changes in pages as is the case with the present hymn book (the reprint). Therefore the present layout of the Hymn book should be retained and the same be the case with the Music Edition.

3. We recommend that Choir Directors and Ministers should control the use of Hoshos and that they are encouraged to attend workshops where they will receive more instruction on proper use of hoshos.

4. REV. JOHN KAEMMER:

On behalf of the Rhodesia Annual Conference we would like to express appreciation for the contributions of Rev. John Kaemmer to Church Music in this country. We will especially remember his part in establishing the Ecumenical Arts Association, development of Correspondence Courses in Music theory, the preparation of the Music edition of *Ngoma* and research done in the field of traditional African Muusic.

Ben Jambga (Chairman)
Lancelot Dikito (Secretary)

Conference Evangelism Report

Mack B. Stokes spoke of the evangelism of Jesus Christ, who opened the heart of God, by giving a parable of the shepherd who left 99 sheep and went to the hill to search for the one that went astray, Matt. 18: 12. And a Black American woman with a missionary zeal of giving said, "You got to give 100%; ninety-nine and a half is not enough".

For the amount of work Evangelism needs in our churches, circuits, districts, 100% of our efforts to the planning and work of Evangelism must be given.

Evangelism is the centre, the life of the Christian Church throughout the whole world. A church or conference without Evangelism in its vision will be in a state of emptiness.

A WORD OF THANKS TO THE BISHOP

In February, 1973, Bishop Muzorewa asked some for our Conference Ministers to attend the training and planning meeting which was conducted by Rev. G. Strong, the secretary of New Life for All in Rhodesia. The purpose of the meeting was to bring the leaders of all Christian

Churches to the climax of its goal in the work of Evangelism. Therefore, on behalf of those who attended the training meeting at the Rhodesia University, I want to say, thank you, Bishop, for your concern and generosity. We need more of such opportunities, Bishop and Conference.

PROGRAMME FOR EVANGELISM

The programme for Evangelistic work is prepared together with the five district superintendents and director of Conference Extension work, Rev. K. Eriksson. When the programme is made, it will go into the files of the five D.S.'s, the Bishop, and Director of Extension Work. The first half of the programme will cover six months, January to June, and second half will cover July to December, 1974.

PREACHING AND TRAINING FOR EVANGELISM

Much of my time is given to preaching sermons. Yes, it is good to give evangelistic sermons to the people, but there is a great need for Evangelistic training. I have preached many sermons in all five districts plus Botswana and many people were blessed by God. Sometimes it is very hard to get good results when evangelism is combined with other organizations. People usually rebel against the idea of evangelism being combined with a district or circuit Finance Committee, for example.

TRAINING IN EVANGELISM

There was very little training done for Evangelism. Where the training was done and the people accepted the challenge, the work of Evangelism went on like a mighty veld fire winning souls to Christ. Mtoko District held a training session which was organized by the D.S. and was for the Ministers only. The Upper Room Experience was felt by every one who was there. We need the power of the Holy Spirit to inspire us.

THEY MET THEIR MASTER

During Easter Season of this year a joint effort was

made for Botswana. This effort was initiated by Rev. E. Jijita, who led a big group of U.M.Y.F. and the Conference Evangelist, Rev. P.C. Nyamukapa, to Botswana. It was definitely guided by Christ and the Holy Spirit, who made an endless commission to the early Christian Church and the present Church. "Go ye into the world and preach the Good News to all nations."

The acting principal of the Botswana Secondary School and all the members of teaching staff offered this opportunity to the students and other people to repent and to accept Christ as their personal Savior. We received letters of sincere and honest repentance and confession from the young people of Botswana. There was also a revival which took place after we had left Botswana.

We wish something similar to Botswana would happen to our institutions. The teachers' concern is that every student must experience the life of Christ.

MREWA MET THE MASTER

The Mrewa District people, after the Evangelism training meeting, continue the work of Evangelism. Following is the number of people who met the Master as reported by the Chairman of the District Evangelism Committee, Rev. A. Katsande. He reported 202 new converts and 122 back-sliders reclaimed. The Conference would be very happy to receive other reports such as this one given by the Mrewa District, from other districts in the conference.

I want to thank Dr. Murphree who gave in my name to receive helpful books on Evangelism from Asbury Seminary by Professor Robert E. Coleman. Evangelism is not theory or slogan, it is power to change human souls through prayers and preaching.

I want to thank some people who have helped me make evangelistic trips by means other than financial. The district lay leader of Mutasa-Makoni, Mr. N. Gandanzara, gave me a bus ride and free ride in the car on one of my trips for evangelism.

I appeal to all D. S's and Pastors to plan and organize for Evangelistic work.

Evangelism is the heart of the life of the Church. It is the centre of the Christian Education Programme in the church. Let us pray for Evangelism in our Church!

P. Nyamukapa, Conference Evangelist.

Resolutions

1. Praise be to God for a man like Bishop A.T. Muzorewa — a man whose leadership is recognised throughout the world: We are thankful for his inspired leadership in all of the areas of life of church and country.

2. We appreciate the hearty welcome extended by Mrewa District Superintendent, the Rev. David Mudzengerere, and Mr. Kaseke, District Lay Leader, and the diligent work of the Mrewa District people. They worked hard and provided hospitality as well as entertainment. Songs and dances enlivened the early hours of the watch night vigil. We also thank the Nyadiri R.R.W. for providing the cake. We further thank the Mrewa groups for entertainment at the Bishop's reception.

3. The devotions led by Dr. John Kurewa and Bishop James Armstrong were very inspiring. Surely, God spoke to us through them. The music of the Mrewa Women's Trio and the Nyadiri Men's Quartette also enriched and inspired the conference.

4. Our appreciation is extended to Mr. Elliot Musumhi, the Conference Secretary, and to the Assistant secretaries, to Miss Pat Fulmer and to her assistants and typists.

5. We thank Chief Maranke for his continuous money gifts to our Baby Folds.

6. We appreciate the growing spirit of fellowship between our denomination, the Methodist Synod and United Church of Christ who were fraternally represented.

7. Mr. W. Marima has served well the Conference as Lay Leader and his work has proved to be very efficient.

8. Mr. Musamba deserves our sincere gratitude for the unquestionable care of the Conference finances.

9. We wish to thank all those who gave money to our

Missionary, Rev. Chikodzi, so that the work of God may continue in Botswana through this man of God.

10. May God's will be done through our Church.

Chairman: I. Mawokomatanda

Secretary: D. Chinopfukutwa

Report by Conference Secretary on Temperance

"Woe to those who rise early in the morning, that they may run after strong drink, who tarry late into the evening till wine inflames them" (Isaiah 5: 11).

One of the chief marks of a Christian is to be temperate in everything he does. Temperance covers a big area, that is of abstaining from alcohol, smoking, gambling, the use of drugs, prostitution, gossiping, quarrels and the use of vulgar language.

Since last conference, I have had many invitations but have gone to only very few places, where I spoke on the evils of alcohol and smoking. Lack of funds made it impossible to adequately meet obligations in this particular unit of work.

However, I prepared and sent material on temperance which was used on Conference Temperance Sunday. A small book, "Smoking and Lung Cancer—The Charges and the Facts" was sent to *some* pastors and to all heads of our secondary schools. I also prepared some articles which came out in both the Rhodesia Herald and Umbowo. I have a prepared "Guide for the Actual Formation of Temperance Clubs" which was edited by Dr. M. Taylor. Please find this guide attached to this report.

I express my appreciation to Bishop A.T. Muzorewa who delivered some sermons on the evils of alcohol, to Dr. K. Kaunda on his national message about the evils of drinking and to Dr. Sadza on his article which was printed on the editorial page of the Rhodesia Herald. Much praise goes to some of our high schools which have embarked on the formation of temperance clubs.

OUR WORK AS A CHURCH IS:

1. To awaken people's conscience on the evils of smoking, alcohol and drugs.

2. To study and put forward the Biblical teaching on the evils of alcohol and drugs.
3. To promote Christian standards of living by total abstinence.
4. To visit alcoholics and invite them to church and for other constructive activities, such as sports.
5. To educate the members of African Councils and business men near us on the evils of establishing beer halls and bottle stores in an area, especially near schools.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. We recommend that someone be sent to train in temperance Education, preferably, overseas since many of our U.S.A. United Methodists are so keenly interested in promoting Temperance Education.
2. We recommend that Rev. E. Jijita remain the resource person for monthly temperance lessons in UMBOWO.
3. We recommend that we have District Temperance Workshops, whereby other denominations are invited, so as to strengthen our efforts to fight the increasing evils of strong drink, tobacco and mbanje, (Marijuana).
4. We recommend that the film on temperance obtainable from Dr. M. Taylor, be used in our secondary schools. This film was bought for \$120,00 (Rhodesian Dollars) by the United Methodist Women of Florence, Alabama for us to use in Temperance Education.

Rev. Willas Makunike (Chairman)

Rev. Jonathan W. Maramba (Secretary)

A GUIDE FOR INTRODUCING A TEMPERANCE CLUB

1. Before you ever begin, decide what your goals are and why there is need for your particular type of club.
2. Be clear in your mind what will be required of you as a leader, make sure that you are willing to make the necessary sacrifices.
3. Have a good talk with the leaders of the Church to get their support and clear up any mistaken ideas they may have.

4. Decide in advance what kind of restrictions are going to be placed on membership: whether mixed or not, church membership, number and age.

5. If Church membership is not required, it does not mean that less Christian emphasis is placed on the Club. In any case the best approach is to be sure that there is *definite Christian Leadership* and that there is a dependable core of Christian young people to establish a Christian atmosphere in the club. Under normal circumstances there are many advantages to having a mixed club with both boys and girls, but it requires adequate leadership.

THE CLUB AND RELIGION.

1. Religion should be presented as a grand adventure, a quest for truth and meaning in life.

2. Group Worship: (a) The most common form is a short prayer time, seven to eight minutes long. (b) It is reasonable to expect members to attend, but try to avoid the impression of compulsion — let the feeling be that it is assumed that all will want to go to prayers at the right time.

3. (c) Group worship must be well prepared otherwise, there will be the feeling that it is not important.

(d) If suitable members are available, they should be encouraged to take a part in the planning and carrying out of group worship. Group worship, should include a hymn, Scripture Reading, brief talk for about five minutes and a prayer. Then follows the topic of the day.

4. Team Witness: The Christian young people in a club should never be allowed to think only of their own spiritual being. They should not be content only to receive, but encouraged to speak to others about Christ for this activity has two results: it deepens their personal spiritual life and it benefits the lives of others. Team witness is not limited only to those outside the club but it should also be directed to those non-Christians who may be in the Club.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE TEMPERANCE GROUP.

1. Meeting delinquent youth and inviting them to

participate in clean, wholesome activities, including Church Programmes. You can help them to organize sports, reading clubs, etc.

2. Counselling other young people on the evils of strong drink, tobacco and drugs and how to avoid them; therefore you will be helping them to be secure in their jobs and to refrain from immorality.

3. Serve families and individuals in the following ways if they are suffering because someone in the home is addicted to alcohol or drugs:

- (a) Help old people, widows and the sick.
- (b) Clean and repair the wells.
- (c) Provide firewood.
- (d) Clear premises and fields.
- (e) Plough, plant and cultivate.
- (f) Give help at funerals.
- (g) Assist with school fees of children from home broken by alcohol.
- (h) Assist individual members from homes broken by alcohol by inviting them to church meetings and services, praying with them explaining to them that only Christ understands their troubles, therefore only He has enough love, power and wisdom to help them.

As the Temperance Group helps the families of the alcoholic, they have a chance to meet and to know the alcoholic himself or herself and to become a close friend to him also. He will begin to trust those in the Temperance Group because they have shown Christian love and friendliness and helped his or her family in their troubles. When you actually know the alcoholic and his family, you can pray for them more effectively and they will feel more welcome at your Church.

ALL ASPECTS OF LIFE ARE IMPORTANT BUT THE SOURCE OF THAT SIGNIFICANCE IS FOUND IN GOD AS SEEN IN CHRIST

Therefore in order to give to the individual the fullest life, he must be led into the deepest, possible contact with Christ and His Church. A person is brought into that

relationship probably more through day to day contacts than through formal evangelistic service and also through fellowship which puts theory into practice. But people should be given opportunity for a definite decision, for people do not just drift into vigorous, joyful, Christian discipleship.

The Temperance Club may be under the leadership of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church through its Temperance Committee or under the leadership of any other denomination or interdenominational body.

Prepared and submitted by Conference Temperance Education Secretary of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

*Rev. Elliot Jijita
Cottage 1951 Egypt
P.O. Highfield, Salisbury.*

A GUIDE FOR THE ACTUAL FORMATION OF A TEMPERANCE CLUB

ARTICLE 1 — Name and purpose.

The name of the Club shall be United Methodist Temperance Club (or The Christians' Temperance Club) (No doubt all who are keenly interested in Temperance would like to encourage these Clubs in all denominations: some think that if we had a name like the one in parenthesis it would strongly encourage other churches to participate more freely in such clubs; another strong reason for not having "Methodist" in the name is that many of our youth so keen in Temperance in our High Schools and the University are not Methodist).

THE PURPOSE OF THE CLUB SHALL BE:

1. To awaken the people's conscience on the evils of smoking, alcoholic beverages and drugs as mbanje (also known as dagga and in other parts of the world it is more widely known as "marijuana or marihuana or marijuana")
2. To study the Biblical Teaching on evils of alcoholic beverages.

3. To create an awareness of social, economic and political needs of society so as to develop a stable, positively Christian standard of living.

4. To pursue total prohibition of alcoholic drinks within human borders.

5. To further spread the full gospel of our Lord effectively by giving individual attention to those with alcohol and drug problems so that they may be inspired to change their lives through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Such approaches to those in desperate need must be done after much prayer with love, sympathy, understanding and Christ-like compassion.

Remember that we can never help those with these alcoholic, drug and tobacco problems by scolding them, condemning them and preaching to them. They already know what the church teaches about the evils of alcohol and narcotics.

Remember that when they are addicted to these or in the habit of using them they are a slave to them and they have no power to resist them. We know that only God's power can help them.

Remember that God can only help them if they feel their need of His Help and turn to Him. That is why we must try to help them prayerfully, slowly and patiently. Do not hurry into a conversation about their problem. It is wiser to let them first speak about their drinking; then you will have a chance to speak about the harm it brings to them and to their families.

6. Awaken all the Christian people in the Church to their responsibility in helping those with alcohol or drug problems. Insist that Church people visit them, pray for them and with them, invite them to Church, to sports, good bioscopes. Especially can Church Members help these needy friends by making them feel important, loved and welcomed when they do accept such invitations.

ARTICLE II — Organization of Officers:

The local Temperance Club shall have the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two advisors, one of whom is a woman. These officers

are elected annually before the end of each year and presided over by the outgoing president or one of the Advisors. All officers may stand for re-election as long as they continue to satisfy the conditions for full membership in the United Methodist Temperance Club. (or The Christians' Temperance Club or The Temperance Club).

ARTICLE III — Discipline on Termination of Membership:

If for any legitimate reason an officer cannot continue in office, or if an officer loses membership in the United Methodist Temperance Club due to misconduct or absence from duty without notification, the Executive Council or Management Committee of the Club shall appoint another member of the local U.M.T.C. to complete the term of office of such an officer.

Leaders and Helpers must equally take very seriously their obligation to keep order and deal fairly with all matters likely to be prejudicial to the club. It is essential in these matters, that they stand together. In dealing with offenders facial expression counts. The way the leader looks when entering the room or approaches a disturbance will have considerable effect. So will the way of speaking and the tone of voice — it could be firm, or sympathetic or pleading. The offender should be given a straight talk, privately, and made to realize the seriousness of club membership, then let off with caution.

If he repeats the offence more than three times, the membership should be terminated in love. If he wants to come again, he should be allowed to write an application which will be put before the Council or the Management Committee for their re-consideration. The offender should appear before the Council for questioning on various worthwhile issues. Irregular attendance at the club, except for good reason, should always be considered an offence. It can be dealt with first by a visit of the Council Member. If that is ineffective, one of the advisors should call at the home. If still there is no response, a note warning that membership will be forfeited should be sent. Finally, remember that when a member is expelled it means that the club has in this instance, completely failed. But no club has ever existed which could claim to have succeeded every-

where. Even the greatest of Leaders had one among his twelve who slipped away. When we say an offence, we mean over-riding the *Membership Pledge* as shall be shown later.

ARTICLE IV — FIELD OF WORK OF THE CLUB:

1. Discouraging drinking of alcohol beverages.
2. Discouraging smoking.
3. Discouraging gambling.
4. Discouraging use of drugs.
5. Discouraging prostitution.
6. Protesting against gossiping.
7. Protesting against quarrels.
8. Protesting against the usage of dirty words and vulgar language.

WHILE ENCOURAGING:

9. Chance to be sober.
10. Chance to be free, not enslaved by the above vices which we discourage.
11. Chance to educate children.
12. Chance to value the home, school, church.
13. Chance to establish justice.
14. Chance to insure domestic tranquility.
15. Chance to form a more perfect union among people.
16. Chance to women to have a secure home economically.
17. Chance to give the brain free time to think properly and to sort things out accurately and to put them in the right categories.
18. Chance for the growth of strong Christian character.
19. Chance of reducing crimes and tragedies.
20. Chance to value what is good food etc.

ARTICLE V — Membership Royalty Pledge:

The requirement needed for those to enter into the United Methodist Temperance Club is to pledge, with God's grace, total abstinence from the use of intoxicating drink, tobacco, mbanje and all other drugs. The following

Pledge shall be repeated by the new person joining the Club. See No. 6 below.

ARTICLE VI — INITIATION OF CANDIDATES:

1. Hymns 267 in Old Hymnal and 182 in New Hymnal.
2. Prayer by an Officer.
3. Secretary will read the names of those to be received.
4. President: We welcome you gladly. Our work here is to try to follow the teaching of Jesus Christ by fighting evils which hurt our fellowmen.

Are you willing to join this United Methodist Temperance Club (or The Christians, Temperance Club or the Temperance Club) and obey all its rules?

5. Candidate: Yes, by the help of God.
6. President or Minister: Then repeat after me this pledge:

I do solemnly promise and bind myself not to drink or use, not to brew or make, not to buy nor sell, not to give nor cause to be given to anyone, as food or beverage, anything that can intoxicate, including hop beer, Kaffir beer, smoking tobacco, mbajne or any other drugs that may be sniffed, taken by mouth or injected and further that I will strive to be obedient, truthful, honest and Christ-like in all my thoughts and actions. May God help me to be true to my pledge through Jesus Christ. Amen.

7. Prayer: Minister or President (All members to shake hands with the candidates received)

ARTICLE VII: The Organization and duties of Leaders:

The Customary organization of any Club is as follows:

1. Programme Committee, Council or the Management Committee.
2. Evangelism Committee.
3. Recreation/Drama Committee.
4. Finance Committee.

The President or Club Leader's duties are to do the general organizing of the Club and to supervise the whole of its activities. He is not to teach the various sports and activities but to understand the individual club member

and to be ready always to advise and help, being the friend of every member, discouraging bad habits and helping toward the development of good ones. Therefore one of the things a Leader has to acquire is a sympathetic and psychological understanding of Club people. He or she presides at all meetings of the Club, appoints committees to work on proposed projects, initiates anything that the club can do in the help of the people as a whole.

The *Secretary* shall write all minutes of business meetings, record all club members, handle correspondence, write all notices to members, and shall have a good book for keeping records.

The *Treasurer* shall keep a record of all monies paid in and out, and encourage others to subscribe systematically to the club.

The *Council* or Management Committee is a planning group, but it plans on the decided interests, needs, suggestions for action on behalf of the group. The Council is the servant of the group. It helps the group to see areas in which learning ought to take place. It also provides opportunities for the growth of the individuals and the group. It handles the whole organization in the total realm of the purpose of the club. Lastly it cultivates unity among itself and other members.

The *Evangelism Committee* plans for team witness. For example, if the United Methodist Temperance Club wants to go out for preaching on the evils of alcohol, this group arranges everything.

The *Recreation/ Drama Committee*. The Activities of the group are to be planned by this Committee. As the team goes out for preaching, the drama part of the sermon should be done by the planning of this committee or if they go out to help the family of an alcoholic, the arrangements could be made by this group.

The *Finance Committee*. This committee helps a lot to promote the smooth running of the Club. It gives suggestions on ways to raise money for trips, secretarial and club use. It suggests the appropriate budget for the year. All running expenses of the club are best handled by this committee.

The four committees above should each have a chairman and secretary. They shall in turn report to the Council or Management Committee in session.

ARTICLE VIII — A Suggested Agenda for the Club Management or Council Committee:

1. Prayer.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Minutes of the last meeting.
4. Matters arising from the minutes.
5. The President or Club Leader's report on the intervening period.

What is to be reported by the President?

- (a) Club statistics.
- (b) Attendance.
- (c) Club Activities.
- (d) Needs.
- (e) General matters. e.g. discipline, club rules, etc.
- (f) Club-church relationship.
6. Reports from Chairmen of the different committees.
7. Plan discussions after the *talk of the day*.
8. Prayer for closing.

ARTICLE IX — Variety of Club Activities:

PROGRAMMES

1. *Make it your aim first to become informed and educated about the scientific facts relating to the dangers of alcohol, tobacco and drugs by:*

- (a) Group discussions on certain topics.
- (b) Debates on these dangers.
- (c) Research and reports on these dangers from different books. You can pick up excellent materials, booklets, etc rather cheaply on evils of alcohol, tobacco and drugs from Market Square Book Room, 95 Salisbury Street, Salisbury. The Word of Life Book Store in the Arcade Manica and Kingsway, Sby, at the Council on Alcoholism, 9 Union Buildings, Manica Rd, Sby or Box 3742.

2. Drama to illustrate the lesson to be taught.
3. Fireside chats.
4. Quiz Corners.

5. Creation of Drama materials and art for drama.
6. Creative writing and Compositions on assorted topics relating to the aims of the club and the evils which it fights. Get these published in Umbowo.
7. Collect and write Rituals and prayers of different kinds for use in your club.
8. Stories and Bible Competitions.
9. Sunday Service.
10. Leadership Training.
11. Film Shows.
12. Guest Speaker.

PROJECTS TO ASSIST THOSE IN HOMES WRECKED BY ALCOHOL AND DRUGS

13. Garden planting, fruit growing and flower growing.
14. Soft toy making for the underprivileged children.
15. Friendly visitation and prayer.

OTHER PROJECTS:

16. Preparing posters and pictures to exhibit at stores to teach the evils of drinking.

17. Collecting other materials for school bulletin boards from daily papers. Booklets can be taken apart and used for such exhibits which show the evils which the club is fighting against.

18. Magazine making.
19. Poultry keeping.
20. Keeping fit.
21. Travel Study.

RECREATION

22. Hiking trips.
23. Music, Bands, Concerts.
24. Indoor games and other wholesome recreation and sports.

Board of Trustees Report 1973

1. It was voted to charge 65 cents a cu. yd for sand sold to the Gemsbok Construction Co. for sand removed from Arnoldine Mission. The Conference has been granted a

sand removal lease from the water court until Dec. of 1976.

2. The Board of Trustees reports that no copper mining is being done on Arnoldine Mission by the Mining Co. with whom we have negotiated a contract. The Company is continuing to pay the Conference monthly royalty payments.

3. In January of 1973 a sub-committee of the Board met at Nyakatsapa in order to deal with lease problems. It was decided that no further leases could be granted due to inadequate land availability. Some one-acre residents' leases would be available.

It was also decided that at Nyakatsapa headmen may continue to function as long as they live. They will not be replaced. Their functions do not include control of the land and its use. At the mission farms the land is under the local farm executive which again is responsible for the use of the land to the Board of Trustees of the Rhodesia Annual Conference.

4. The Arnoldine Tenants were sent a letter from the Board stating that there are no more leases available. Not only lack of space, but the Land Tenure Act limits the number of leases we may grant. The Board further pointed out to the tenants that many of them were breaking their lease by owning more than their 5 cows - 5 calves. Also those refusing to pay, or late in paying, their lease tax were subject to removal from the mission if they did not pay this tax.

(The problem of delinquent taxpayers at both Arnoldine and Nyakatsapa is now being taken care of by the Board.)

5. A new constitution has been drawn up for the approval of the Conference. This constitution is necessary for the establishment of a legal body in Rhodesia for the purpose of acquiring and holding in Rhodesia immovable property in the name of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

(Rev. Darrell Huddleston, Vice Chairman on behalf of

Rev. P.C. Nyamukapa, Chairman

Mr. John Shryock, Secretary

The Board of Urban Ministries Report

(A) Inner-City Chaplain's report: -

In August the Salisbury inner-city Chaplain was given the privilege of attending an Urban Consultation in Mahalapye, Botswana, as a delegate of the Rhodesia Christian Council. This was a very stimulating experience, having as its theme "The Human Factor in Urban and Industrial Development."

Of the several resolutions passed by the Consultation the following two are presented here as recommendations to us:

1. *On Social Justice:*

We affirm our absolute commitment to the principle of social justice, which we believe has its foundation in the Scriptures. We believe that Christians should follow the example of the prophets and of Christ himself, by speaking out when, and wherever injustice is found.

1. *On the Church in Society:*

In view of the wide gaps in our society between member groups — black and white, elite and poor, management and labour — churches are urged to be involved in the secular world.

An Urban training seminar was sponsored by the Board of Urban Ministries. It met at Epworth Theological College for four days in November. The seminar began with Dr. John Kurewa leading us in theological reflection on the church in Rhodesia. This was followed by Dr. Marshall Murphree on social changes taking place because of the rural-urban population shift, and how the church can minister in these circumstances. We were privileged to hear a talk by Dr. Edson Sithole on civil rights (or lack of them) in Rhodesia. A day was spent under the leadership of Reverend Darrell Huddleston, Mrs. Sue Messenger, and Rev. Frank Messenger, discussing and experiencing the use of small groups in the church.

(Frank Messenger)

(B)

Report from African Girls' Hostel

The year 1973 has been a good year for the work here at the African Girls' Hostel.

The number of girls who have stayed with us has been close to 140 the year around. We could have taken in many more if we had had the facilities for them.

Maintenance work has been going on throughout the year. The water system has had to be altered as the pressure was too small and a new water meter and intake put in. The church hall has been repainted and is now looking attractive. We are in process of rebuilding a few of the utility rooms in the yard, thus making it possible to place a few more girls in the hostel. Ten new beds have been purchased.

The cooperation of the staff at Hilltop has been greatly appreciated. Every Sunday evening services have been held for the girls in the Church hall, and the U.M.Y.F. work here has been going well.

(Astrid Leiknes)

(C) *Sakubva Christian Centre Report*

General Comment:

The past year has been a hectic one as we had to implement some of the resolutions approved by Conference relating to finances, etc. Despite financial and other handicaps, we struggled to maintain our course.

Activities:

1. Clubs.

(a) The girls' sewing and cookery classes started off very well but had to be discontinued because their instructor got another job. The women's sewing and cookery classes went on well under the leadership of Mrs. S. Mukangara. Her efforts have encouraged these clubs. During the course of the year the Rukwadzano was able to have a sewing class of their own.

(b) The Youth Clubs, Sakubva Young People's Educational and Cultural Club, and Christian Centre Youth continue to have their programmes.

(c) *The Young Couples' Club:* Continues to be a strong Christian witness to Young Couples.

(d) *Pre-School:*

The Pre-School programme consisting of a nursery school is serving the need in Sakubva for the working mothers. Enrolment continues to grow. We hope to provide meals if we have the pre-school fees raised.

(e) *"A" Level Study Group:*

I am glad to note that the hope for "A" level has been realised. Mr. George Fleshman's effort and enthusiasm to establish the "A" level study group is deeply appreciated. Thanks are due to Mr. A. Leiknes for taking care of the "A" level classes at the Centre while I was away.

(f) *Doctor's Surgery:*

Dr. and Mrs. A.S. Chizarura have answered our medical need at the Centre. We will be delighted to have him again should the local authorities renew his application to continue for another year.

The Christian Centre has been the host to many weddings and celebrations. This promotes Christian marriage.

Hopes for the Future:

With the growing numbers of the unemployed school leavers and those who require Commercial training, we are contemplating having a class or two of 35-40 people. While much of the equipment was removed from the Centre several years ago, an enthusiastic group has expressed its desire to answer this call and will be occupying our premises on a rental basis.

Webster Mutamba (Director)

(D) We thank Sue Messenger for the work she did on the part-time assignment held this year in Salisbury. We also thank the Dentist, Dr. Nelvig for the work she is doing as part of Urban Ministry.

(E) *Right of entry:* Rev. Mawokomatanda, Rev. Mes-

senger, Ruth Schevenius and Rev. Nderere were asked to survey the right kind of material which should be used in the right of entry classes.

While at one time the urban churches could be thought of as extensions of the rural churches, we believe the time has come to affirm the self-sustaining nature of urban churches.

(F) *Further Recommendations:*

1. In view of the great potential for growth in urban areas we recommend that preference be given to funds for Urban Church buildings.

2. We recommend that a study commission be established by annual conference to review organisations in the church and their relationship to the church.

3. Recognising the central importance of the local church, we recommend that we should reduce the number of meetings of our organisations at District and Conference level, thereby reducing the drain on local church funds.

4. We recommend that a continuing education programme be kept up for all pastors, their wives, and other church workers — referred to sub-committee of the Board of Urban Ministry.

5. We recommend that Dr. Zvomunondita Kurewa, together with some people chosen by Conference, make a study into using more African Culture in regard to worship, music, marriage, counselling, class meetings. Bishop is to name the Committee.

6. That urban people be given an opportunity to take advantage of the training offered through M.R.I.D. that would be useful in urban areas.

7. That a correspondence course of study be given by Sue Messenger and sponsored by Board on Urban Ministry in 1974 using a series of condensations of sociological studies. This should be open to any full-time church worker in our Conference who signs up for it. It would involve receiving a paper and reading it, then sending a response sheet back before receiving the next. Seven to nine studies would be possible. The source of funds for such a pro-

gramme would be the funds available for pastors' literature. (referred to sub-committee of the Board of Urban Ministry)

8. That one copy of booklets or pamphlets that these studies are based on be purchased by the same fund and be kept at the Market Square Book Room Library for those desiring the full text. Also, that related books, as recommended by Dr. Murphree, be purchased. (referred to as in item 7)

9. That funds be made available for urban workers to attend the 1974 Vocation School at the University of Rhodesia. (\$3,50 per person per night, four nights) (\$3,00 per course — two courses recommended.) BOFAC is requested for funds.

Reddson Neshiri (Secretary)

Marcia Ball (Chairman)

Conference Treasurer's Report for Year 31st October, 1973

A.

RECEIPTS

| | |
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| Cash at Bank 1.11.72 | 27008,98 |
| Rhodesia Government Grants | 201203,08 |
| Rhodesia Government Medical Grants | 44380,11 |
| Scholarship: Local | 14801,56 |
| Scholarship: Theological | 3233,70 |
| Work Budgets | 93229,37 |
| Interest, etc. on behalf of Pension Fund | 4323,00 |
| Others (Donations, etc.) | 36062,28 |
| Episcopal Fund | 8315,03 |
| Rhodesia Government: Nyamuzuwe School Loan | 20000,00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$452557,11 |

PAYMENTS

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|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Government Grants: Educational | 201203,08 |
| Government Grants: Medical | 44380,11 |
| Work Budgets | 114721,51 |
| Others (Travels, Salaries, etc.) | 34575,43 |
| Episcopal Fund | 7592,96 |
| Nyamuzuwe: School Loan | 20000,00 |
| Cash at Bank: 31st October 1973 | 30084,02 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$452557,11 |

Auditors' Statement: We have extracted the annexed figures from the books and records of the Rhodesia Annual Conference

of the Methodist Church and we certify them to be in accordance therewith. (28.12.73)

B PAYMENTS BY DISTRICTS, ETC. NOV. 1972 - OCT. 31, 1973

Part I Payments by Districts Nov. 1972—Oct. 31, 1973

| No. | District | Tsopotsa Scholar- ship | Episco- pal Res. | Confer- ence G. Fund | Conf. Ass. |
|----------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------|
| 1. | Mrewa \$593,62 | \$44,00 | ————— | ————— | \$407,84 |
| 2. | Mtasa-Makoni \$890,20 | \$72,50 | ————— | \$73,50 | \$414,05 |
| 3. | Mtoko-Nyadiri \$494,03 | \$74,39 | \$22,57 | \$4,86 | \$231,67 |
| 4. | Sby-Bulawayo \$795,10 | ————— | ————— | ————— | \$660,25 |
| 5. | Umtali South \$1413,10 | \$143,69 | \$2,00 | \$15,09 | \$1114,05 |
| | Totals \$4186,05 | \$334,58 | \$24,57 | \$93,45 | 2827,86 |
| 6 | Others | | | | |
| a. | General | | | | |
| b. | 1973 Conf. | | | | |
| c. | General | | | | |
| d. | Stewardship Don. | | | | \$70,50 |
| e. | Meth. Lit. | | | | \$70,89 |
| f. | Gen. Nya. Camp. | \$122,70 | | | |
| g. | Misc. Contrib. | \$44,00 | | | |
| h. | Gen. at Conf. | | | | 134,70 |
| i. | Wesley Ch. (Rusape) | | | | \$600,00 |
| j. | Miss. Tithes | | | | \$1239,00 |
| | Totals | 501,28 | \$24,57 | \$2209,04 | \$2827,86 |

Part II Payments by Districts Nov. 1972 — Oct. 31, 1973

| No. | District | Ngari- ende | Evange- lism Botswa- na | Student Loan |
|----------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. | Mrewa | \$14,73 | \$126,05 | \$1,00 |
| 2. | Mtasa-Makoni | \$55,15 | \$250,00 | \$25,00 |
| 3. | Mtoko-Nyadiri | \$89,04 | \$71,50 | ————— |
| 4. | Sby-Bulawayo | \$134,85 | ————— | ————— |
| 5. | Umtali South | \$88,02 | \$10,75 | \$39,50 |
| | Totals | \$381,79 | \$458,30 | \$65,50 |
| 6 | Others | | | |
| a. | General | | | \$677,50 |

| | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| b. 1973 Conf. | \$94,58 |
| c. General | \$20,00 |
| d. Stewardship Don. | |
| e. Meth. Lit. | |
| f. Gen. Nya. Camp | |
| g.. Misc. Contrib. | |
| h. Gen. at Conf. | |
| i. Wesley Ch. (Rusape) | |
| j. Miss. Tithes | |
| Totals | \$496,37 \$1135,80 \$165,50 |

Some Suggestions for Conference to Consider That:

- (a) Money from districts be sent to Conf. Treasurer by District Treasurers.
- (b) October 25, each year, be the last date to send Conference Assess. to Conference Treasurer.
- (c) Student Loan money be sent directly to Student Loan Fund Treasurer.
- (d) All cheques be made payable to account name, e.g. Rhodesia Annual Conference and all receipts bear account or trade name, e.g. Kumuka Bus Services.
- (e) Any queries on financial transactions be directed to whoever is the treasurer, and not handled through a third person.
- (f) Conference Treasurer's report be presented to BOFAC before it is presented to Conference, if possible.
- (g) Conference Treasurer's report be in the hands of Conference members at least 1 day before presentation.

C1 PENSION FUND: INCOME

| | |
|---|---------|
| Ministers' contributions | 1670,00 |
| Government Stocks: Interest | 601,15 |
| Fixed and Savings deposits: Interest | 1353,05 |
| General Board of Pensions U.S.A. Interest | 258,19 |
| Rhodesia Annual Conference Budget | 2028,00 |
| Excess of expenditure over income for the year transferred to accumulated funds | 1483,11 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 7393,50 |

EXPENDITURE.

| | |
|--|---------|
| Pensions Paid | 2570,01 |
| Ministers' Assurance Premiums | 3443,69 |
| Audit Fee | 150,00 |
| Bank Charges | 0,50 |
| Loss on Devaluation of Foreign Investments | 1229,30 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 7393,50 |

C2 BALANCE SHEET

| | |
|--|------------|
| Balance at 31st October 1972 | 43991,60 |
| Less: Excess of expenditure over income for the year transferred from income and expenditure A/c 1483,11 | 42508,49 |
| Creditors | 192,00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$42700,49 |

INVESTMENTS

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Rhodesia Local Registered stock | 5552,00 |
| Zambia Local Registered stock | 2674,00 |
| Malawi Local Registered stock | 774,00 |
| Interest Accrued | 9000,00 |
| Fixed Deposits CABS | 57,05 |
| Interest accrued CABS | 23710,00 |
| Saving A/c CABS | 291,53 |
| General Board of Pensions U.S.A. | 185,42 |
| Standard Bank — Salisbury | 4230,27 |
| Barclays Bank : Zambia (Blocked A/c) | 4084,65 |
| | 1141,57 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 42700,49 |

RETIRED MINISTERS and WIDOWS:

October '72 to September '73

| | |
|--|---------|
| 1. Rev. L. Chieza | 155,00 |
| 2. Rev. P. Chieza | 77,00 |
| 3. Rev. S. Chieza | 93,52 |
| 4. Rev. J. Chimbadzwa | 185,00 |
| 5. Rev. J. Chitombo | 170,00 |
| 6. Rev. S. Kasambira | 160,00 |
| 7. Rev. B. Katsidzira | 74,24 |
| 8. Rev. H. Katsidzira | 88,00 |
| 9. Rev. J. Machiri | 165,00 |
| 10. Rev. P. Machiri | 175,00 |
| 11. Rev. J. Maramba | 170,00 |
| 12. Rev. E. Munjoma | 85,24 |
| 13. Rev. M. Muparutsa | 180,00 |
| 14. Rev. J. Rugayo | 165,00 |
| 15. Mrs. L. Darikwa | 55,68 |
| 16. Mrs. E. Jangano | 74,88 |
| 17. Mrs. N. Mandisodza | 93,72 |
| 18. Mrs. M. Mandisodza | 21,52 |
| 19. Mrs. E. Marange | 78,40 |
| 20. Mrs. M. Marange | 51,56 |
| 21. Mrs. M. Matongo (lump sum, old pension scheme) | 150,00 |
| 22. Mrs. B. Nduna (Sept '72 to Sept '73) | 146,25 |
| | <hr/> |
| Grand Total | 2615,01 |

D. LAY WORKERS RETIREMENT FUND: BALANCE SHEET

Member's A/c Church Gen. A/c Grand Totals

| | | | |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Balance at 31.10.72 | 17926,70 | 17926,70 | 35853,40 |
| Contrib. Received | 2520,82 | 2520,82 | 5041,64 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Less: Withdrawals from | 20447,52 | 20447,52 | 40895,04 |
| | 3039,40 | 1267,03 | 4306,43 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Less: Trans to Cont. F. | 17408,12 | 19180,49 | 36588,61 |
| | <hr/> | 1772,37 | 1772,37 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 17408,12 | 17408,12 | 34816,24 |

| | | | |
|--|----------|----------|----------|
| Add: Surplus for year transferred from income and expenditure A/c being 3½% of members' balances | 609,28 | 609,28 | 1218,56 |
| | 18017,40 | 18017,40 | 36034,80 |

CONTINGENCY FUND

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Balance at 31.10.72 | 12143,04 |
| Transfer from church Gen. /Ac | 1772,37 |
| Transfer from Income and | |
| Exp. A/c | 1119,43 |
| | 15034,84 |
| | 150,00 |
| | 51219,64 |

INVESTMENTS

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Fixed Deposit CABS | 48200,00 |
| Interest accrued | 696,17 |
| Savings A/c and Interest CABS | 1112,61 |
| CASH at Bank | 50008,78 |
| <hr/> | |
| | 1210,86 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$51219,64 |

FIXED DEPOSITS:

The Rhodesia Annual Conference of the Methodist Church has been granted a loan of \$20000,00 by the Rhodesian Government, repayable over twenty years, for building development at Nyamuzuwe school. This loan has been guaranteed by the Lay Workers' Retirement Fund and certain fixed deposits amounting to \$23 000,00 have been pledged as security. The Board of Finance and Co-ordination of Rhodesia Annual Conference has agreed to reimburse any funds forfeited in terms of this guarantee.

Rhodesia Annual Conference 1974 Budgets

A. CONFERENCE ASSESSMENTS

| | |
|---|-------|
| Episcopal Fund | 500 |
| General Conference | 40 |
| Conference Administration & Conf. Treasurer | 250 |
| Central Conference Travel | 400 |
| Conference Secretary Expenses | 40 |
| Conference Reports | 100 |
| Moving Ministers | 890 |
| Ministers'-Conference Fund & Travel | 540 |
| Travel—Conference Lay Leader | 150 |
| Travel—Fraternal Delegate | 50 |
| Salaries—District Superintendents | 5040 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 8000 |

B. SOURCES OF INCOME

| | | R.\$ | U.S.\$ |
|-----|--|-------|------------|
| 1. | Epworth Theological Funds | 7027 | (\$13,000) |
| 2. | Assured 1974 Appropriation from Board (Advance Programme Support Fund) | 40658 | (\$75,217) |
| 3. | APSE-Support for Dist. Supt. Budgets (To be raised this year from overseas) | 1622 | (\$3,000) |
| 4. | Bishop Muzorewa Evangelism Fund | 1918 | |
| 5. | Grant—Denmark | 1085 | (estimate) |
| 6. | For MAT School-Nyadiri from Switzerland | 2810 | |
| 7. | For Education from Norway | 493 | |
| 8. | Umtali Christian Centre from Norway | 700 | (estimate) |
| 9. | Christian Education from Sweden | 3500 | |
| 10. | African Girls Hostel - Norway | 300 | (estimate) |
| | | 60113 | |
| 11. | P.F.I. for Theological use only | 2045 | (\$3,783) |
| | | 62158 | (\$95,000) |

CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

RHODESIAN (\$)

BUDGETS

| | Budget 1974 | Estiamtes |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Mtoko-Nyadiri District | 1000 | 1500 |
| Mrewa District | 1000 | 1500 |
| Umtali South District | 1000 | 1500 |
| Mtasa-Makoni District | 1000 | 1500 |
| Salisbury-Bulawayo District | 1000 | 1500 |
| Conference Evangelism | 1620 | 1620 |
| Conference Church Extension | 3000 | 3000 |
| Church Assistance | 5500 | 5500 |
| Pastors Travel | 982 | 1000 |
| Church Music | — | 100 |
| Ministers Pension Fund | 1512 | 1704 |
| Conference Stewardship | 200 | 300 |
| Pastors School | — | 500 |
| Urban Ministry | — | 400 |

CHURCH-DEVELOPMENT TOTAL:-

17814 21624

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3500 4500

CONFERENCE LAY TRAINING

— 800

EDUCATION

| | 1974 | 1975 |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Nyamuzuwe Secondary School | 70 | 100 |
| Nyadiri Teachers Training | 60 | 100 |
| Mrewa Secondary School | 70 | 100 |
| Hartzell Secondary School | 70 | 100 |
| Mutambara Secondary School | 70 | 100 |
| Sunnyside | 60 | 100 |
| Education Secretary | 200 | 200 |
| TOTAL: | 600 | 800 |

MEDICAL

| | | |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Nyadiri Hospital | 8500 | 10500 |
| Old Umtali Hospital | 3000 | 4500 |
| Mutambara Hospital | 500 | 2000 |
| TOTAL MEDICAL | 12000 | 17000 |

SOCIAL-ECONOMIC-INDUSTRIAL

| | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| African Girls Hostel | 300 | 400 |
| Christian Centre Umtali | 2200 | 4500 |
| Rusape Christian Centre | 100 | 100 |
| Market Sq. Book Room (office rent for D.S. and Ed. Secretary). | 300 | |
| TOTAL S-E-I. | 2900 | 5000 |

AGRICULTURE - RURAL

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------|
| Land Agent South (No. 2) | 150 | 150 |
| Land Agent North | 150 | 150 |
| Conference Ranching Programme | 600 | 400 |
| Conference Agriculture - Rural Programme | — | 400 |
| TOTAL Agriculture - Rural | 900 | 1100 |

LITERATURE & COMMUNICATION

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Literature Production & Distribution | 2666 | 3000 |
| TOTAL | 2666 | 3000 |

ADMINISTRATION

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------|------|
| Administration Office Salisbury | 8830 | 9000 |
| Administration Contingency Fund | 200 | 300 |
| Taxes & Insurance | 800 | 900 |
| Centre Chairmen Allowances | 360 | 360 |
| BOFAC Secretarial Expenses | 125 | 125 |
| Conference Journal | 280 | 350 |

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|
| Travel to Meetings | 661 | 700 |
| Conference Auditing | 450 | 600 |
| Promotion & Publicity | 300 | 900 |
| Administration TOTAL | 12006 | 13235 |

CO-OPERATIVE PROJECTS

| | | |
|----------------------------|------|------|
| Epworth | 7027 | 8000 |
| Rhodesia Christian Council | 700 | |
| Co-operative TOTAL | 7727 | 8000 |

TOTALS

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|
| CHURCH DEVELOPMENT | 17814 | 21624 |
| CHRISTIAN EDUCATION | 3500 | 4500 |
| CONFERENCE LAY TRAINING | — | 800 |
| EDUCATION | 600 | 800 |
| MEDICAL | 12000 | 17000 |
| SOCIAL-ECONOMIC-INDUSTRIAL | 2900 | 5000 |
| AGRICULTURE-RURAL | 900 | 1100 |
| LITERATURE-COMMUNICATION | 2666 | 3000 |
| ADMINISTRATION | 12006 | 13235 |
| CO-OPERATIVE PROJECTS | 7727 | 8000 |
| TOTAL: | 60113 | 75059 |

US \$30,000

APPROVED LIST OF ADDITIONAL ADVANCE PROGRAMME SUPPORT FUND

| | US \$ |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1. WOMEN'S WORK | 4,000 |
| 2. EVANGELISM | 5,500 |
| 3. URBAN MINISTRIES | 1,000 |
| 4. CONTINUING EDUCATION | 4,000 |
| 5. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION | 2,000 |
| 6. RURAL DEVELOPMENT | 2,500 |
| 7. LITERATURE | 1,500 |
| 8. MEDICAL WORK | 4,000 |
| 9. CHURCH EXTENSION (New Areas) | 2,000 |
| 10. EQUIPMENT | 1,500 |
| 11. CHRISTIAN CENTRES | 2,000 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 30,000 |
| | <hr/> |

US \$75,000

ADVANCE PROGRAMME SUPPORT - APPROVED LIST FOR 1975

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| SUNNYSIDE | 1,000 |
| WOMEN'S WORK | 2,000 |
| MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES EMERGENCY FUND | 4,000 |
| EVANGELISM | 3,500 |

| | |
|------------------------------|--------|
| SCHOLARSHIPS | 18,000 |
| ADVANCED LEVEL HIGH SCHOOL | 2,000 |
| URBAN MINISTRIES | 1,000 |
| CONTINUING EDUCATION | 2,000 |
| CHRISTIAN EDUCATION | 1,000 |
| RURAL DEVELOPMENT | 1,500 |
| LITERATURE | 1,000 |
| MEDICAL WORK | 4,000 |
| CHURCH EXTENSION (New Areas) | 2,000 |
| EQUIPMENT | 30,000 |
| CHRISTIAN CENTRES | 2,000 |
| | 75,000 |

Conference Lay Leader's Report

DON'T DRIVE RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE DRY. The laymen of Rhodesia United Methodist Church are facing the greatest challenge and we must accept these painful and great responsibilities if the church is to be a

REEDIMING FORCE IN THE LIVES OF THE MEN FOR WHOM CHRIST ESTABLISHED HIS CHURCH. We laymen are faced with painful and confusing issues in our times. Ladies and gentlemen, we are surely challenged to re-examine our own faith in the light of our understanding of God's will for us and to share that faith in Christian Love with our fellowmen. We, as laymen of Rhodesia United Methodist Church, must take more seriously than ever before our basic Christian beliefs and stand tall and witness to that faith. Laymen and Clergy, let us aim for every-member-visitation in our Conference, Districts, Circuits and Local Churches. This method will challenge every member of our church.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH From January through December, 1973, a good number of souls have been born again in different meetings of various societies of our church. The reports of each society will confirm my statement in detail.

VISITATION Illness made me start 1973 poorly. However, I managed to visit and help the following:

1. Four District Conferences.

2. All BOFAC meetings.
3. Some special Conference committee meetings.
4. Consultation meeting at Old Umtali.
5. BOLA Executive meeting at Macheke.
6. U.M.M.C., R.R.W. and U.M.Y.F. camps.
7. Some special meetings called for by circuits.
8. The five District Laymen Training Schools.

On behalf of the five District Lay Leaders, let me thank the following people who participated in the 1973 Lay Training Schools: Rev. E. Jijita, Rev. Josiah Kurewa, Rev. John Kurewa, Rev. C. Miller, the five District Superintendents and all the Pastors. We laymen will continue with our Lay Training Schools; we shall support them.

LAYMEN'S ACTIVITIES

MREWA DISTRICT: In the first place I would like to welcome the new member of BOLA Executive, Mr. N. Kaseke, who is now the District Lay Leader of Mrewa District. Here in Mrewa District we have an example of good Christian leadership. Mr. B. Chikoore gave all his support to Mr. N. Kaseke, and the two worked hand in hand during the lay training of 1973. Laity, follow his example.

The District Lay Leader visited all his circuits. He conducted some leaders' meetings in districts and circuits. The active laymen of this district are looking forward to a clear year in 1974. The U.M.M.C., U.M.Y.F., and R.R.W. Societies are growing spiritually day by day. The lay women of this district are elected Church lay leaders. It will not be long before one becomes Circuit lay leader. The District Finance Committee visited some weak circuits and helped them. The spirit of giving is growing. They had attended to all Conference items. Do not drive Mrewa District dry. Their financial report from December, 1972, through November, 1973, is as follows:

| | Budget | Paid | Bal. Due. |
|---------------|---------|--------|-----------|
| Chikore-Tanda | 1020 00 | 829 53 | 110 47 |
| Headlands | 672 00 | 616 00 | 56 00 |
| Nhewe C. | 680 00 | 680 00 | |

| | | | |
|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Mrewa North | 1020 00 | 734 81 | 285 19 |
| Mrewa South | 660 00 | 660 00 | |
| Mrewa East | 1020 00 | 724 20 | 295 80 |
| Mrewa West | 1020 00 | 907 00 | 113 00 |
| Maramba Pfungwe | 707 00 | 530 20 | 176 80 |
| Uzumba C. | 1020 00 | 935 00 | 85 00 |
| Mrewa Centre | 983 00 | 983 00 | |
| | 8802 00 | 7599 74 | 1202 26 |

86%

MTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT: Mr. N. Gandanzara is the District Lay Leader. There is a lot of activity going on in the District. The District Lay Leader visited circuits and local churches to strengthen them. The church societies such as U.M.M.C., R.R.W., U.M.Y.F. are always on duty. The laity tried to attend to all Conference items. Their lay training school was a very successful one. It became both a school and a revival meeting. The spirit of giving is growing stronger and stronger each day. Again it is very encouraging to see some women elected Church Lay Leaders.

The District Finance Committee aided some weak circuits and churches and encouraged them to use E.M.V. Don't drive Mtasa-Makoni dry! The laymen worked as a team financially from December, 1972, to November, 1973, as follows:

| | Budget | Paid |
|---------------------|---------|---------|
| Chiduku North | 694 00 | 694 00 |
| Chiduku South | 781 00 | 781 00 |
| Gandanzara C. | 660 00 | 660 00 |
| Inyanga C. | 671 00 | 671 00 |
| Honde C. | 605 00 | 605 00 |
| Makoni C. | 1020 00 | 1020 00 |
| Mundenda-Penhalonga | 708 00 | 708 00 |
| Rupinda C. | 638 00 | 638 00 |
| Rusape-Chizawana | 732 00 | 732 00 |

| | | |
|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Old Umtali Centre | 1080 00 | 1080 00 |
| Nyakatsapa | 840 00 | 840 00 |
| | \$8429 00 | 8429 00 |

100%

MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT: As usual this is an active district in many ways under the leadership of Mr. T. Gwati. The laymen of this district have always moved in some extra gear. Their situation needs our prayers and support. You know some of their problems better than I.

Each circuit of this district is carrying a heavier load than most of the other four district circuits do. They really need our encouragement and prayers. The laymen of this district are working harder than before.

The District Lay Leader held leaders' meetings and schools in some circuits. The church organizations such as U.M.Y.F., U.M.M.C. and R.R.W. are always on duty. The force of the laymen is felt everywhere. The spirit of giving is growing. They had attended to all Conference items. The Nyadiri Circuit has risen and turned a new leaf. It is the result of good organization. Do not drive Mtoko-Nyadiri District dry! Their finances stand, as from December, 1972, to November, 1973, as follows:

| | Budget | Paid | Bal. Due |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Chikwizo C. | 653 00 | 624 00 | 29 00 |
| Dendera C. | 612 00 | 582 00 | 30 00 |
| Mtoko East | 1020 00 | 660 96 | 359 04 |
| Mtoko North | 312 00 | 111 87 | 200 13 |
| Mtoko South | 1020 00 | 856 42 | 163 58 |
| Mtoko West | 1020 00 | 591 49 | 428 51 |
| Nyadiri Circuit | 362 00 | 362 00 | |
| Nyamuzuwe Centre | 1020 00 | 754 15 | 265 85 |
| Nyadiri Centre | 1020 00 | 1020 00 | |
| | 7039 00 | 5562 89 | 1476 71 |

79%

SALISBURY-BULAWAYO: Mr. I. Musamba is leading this District. It is a district with many forces pressing upon it. It needs our prayers and support. We are proud of all the laity of this district because they always lift His Cross high enough to shine and lead in towns, mines, townships and factories.

The U.M.M.C., R.R.W. and U.M.Y.F. are also growing and are active. Unity with other churches is created as pastors exchange pulpits with pastors of other denominations. The laymen are the soldiers of Christ, not only of the United Methodist Church.

I am sorry that the laity of this district did not participate in some of the Conference items of 1973. I hope that they will see that these items are covered as soon as they depart from here. The leaders' schools and meetings were well conducted. Do not drive Salisbury-Bulawayo District dry! Here is their financial report from December, 1972, through November, 1973.

| | Budget | Paid |
|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Mufakose Circuit | 960 00 | 960 00 |
| Bulawayo Circuit | 935 00 | 935 00 |
| Harare Circuit | 1078 00 | 1078 00 |
| Highfields Circuit | 922 00 | 922 00 |
| Mabvuku Circuit | 924 00 | 924 00 |
| Mangula Circuit | 684 00 | 684 00 |
| Midlands Circuit | 660 00 | 660 00 |
| | | |
| | 6163 00 | 6163 00 |

100%

UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT: Mr. M. Mataranyika is the Lay Leader of this District. The Umtali South District had a wonderful Lay Training School. It was both a school and a revival to them. I wish all of us had attended their lay training school in 1973. The R.R.W., U.M.M.C., U.M.Y.F. are growing day by day. The laity of this district tried to attend to every item of the Conference. The District Finance Committee visited its circuits. The leaders'

meetings were conducted and each leader was trained for his duty. The spirit of giving and church support is growing in every member of the church. The ladies, too, are leading the church. Don't drive Umtali South District dry! Here is their financial report from December, 1972, through November, 1973.

| | Budget | Paid | Bal. Due |
|-------------------------|----------|---------|----------|
| Marange North | 873 00 | 873 00 | |
| Marange West | 547 00 | 547 00 | |
| Marange South | 695 00 | 695 00 | |
| Marange Central | 792 00 | 792 00 | |
| Zimunya North | 1013 00 | 891 29 | 121 71 |
| Zimunya South | 1020 00 | 865 00 | 155 00 |
| Mutambara East | 660 00 | 597 75 | 62 25 |
| Mutambara West | 720 00 | 720 00 | |
| Mutambara Souuth | 734 00 | 734 00 | |
| Miller Memorial Circuit | 1896 00 | 1896 00 | |
| Mutambara Centre | 1206 00 | 1206 00 | |
| | | | |
| 96% | 10156 00 | 9817 0c | 338 96 |
| | | | |

Conference 1973 Ministers' Support — 91%
CONFERENCE ASSESSMENT, 1973

See 1973 Journal, page 123, No. 2 and 3, Minimum Salary.

See 1973 Journal, page 36, No. 82 and 83.

The Conference Assessment Committee met to draw the following report for 1972-74.

| | Budget | Paid | Bal. Due |
|------------------------------|----------|---------|----------|
| 1. Salisbury-Bulawayo 36% | 1845 00 | 660 25 | 1184 75 |
| 2. Umtali South District 25% | 4489 00 | 1129 14 | 3359 86 |
| 3. Mtasa-Makoni District 21% | 2300 00 | 487 55 | 1812 45 |
| 4. Mrewa District 16% | 2646 00 | 407 84 | 2238 16 |
| 5. Mtoko-Nyadiri 13% | 1797 00 | 236 53 | 1560 47 |
| | | | |
| 22% | 13077 00 | 2921 31 | 10155 69 |
| | | | |

BOTSWANA MISSIONARY SALARY

See 1973 Journal, page 135, Recommendation B, No. 3.

| | Budget | Paid | Bal. Due |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|----------|
| 1. Mtasa-Makoni Dis. 100% | 250 00 | 250 00 | |
| 2. Mrewa District 50% | 250 00 | 126 05 | 123 95 |
| 3. Mtoko-Nyadiri Dis. 23% | 250 00 | 71 50 | 178 50 |
| 4. Umtali South Dis. 4% | 250 00 | 10 75 | 239 25 |
| 5. Sby-Byo Dis. 0% | 250 00 | Nil | 250 00 |

FOR THE THREE ITEMS OF THE CONFERENCE, 1973

| | % |
|--|------|
| 1. Mtasa-Makoni District | 83.4 |
| 2. Salisbury - Bulawayo District | 82.6 |
| 3. Umtali South District | 73.0 |
| 4. Mtoko - Nyadiri District | 66.0 |
| 5. Mrewa District | 61.0 |
| Average for Five Districts | 75.0 |

TSOPOTSA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Salisbury-Bulawayo District | NIL |
| Mrewa District | \$44 00 |
| Mtasa-Makoni District | 72 50 |
| Mtoko-Nyadiri District | 74 39 |
| Umtali South District | 143 69 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$334 58 |
| | <hr/> |

STUDENT LOAN FUND

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Salisbury-Bulawayo District | \$NIL |
| Mrewa District | 1 00 |
| Mtasa-Makoni District | 25 00 |
| Mtoko-Nyadiri District | NIL |
| Umtali South District | 39 50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$65 50 |
| | <hr/> |

LAY LEADER'S OBSERVATIONS

1. There are many items in the official Journal of the Rhodesia Annual Conference which need a close follow-up each year by a special committee of Annual Conference.

2. It is time now that the laity who form all of the societies in our church should realize that they are under the leadership of (a) the Pastor, (b) the Church Lay Leader and (c) their official Boards and Quaterly Conferences. Their decisions should be respected.

CONCLUSION

Laymen and Clergy, let us learn a simple lesson from a woman who is pregnant. She feels the baby moving in her womb and sometimes she smiles at the thought of the new life within her. May all the laymen and clergy of the United Methodist Church feel new life as the church moves and grows and its power flows through our blood vessels to guide our daily Christian lives in our communities.

Amen.

W. F. Marima (Conference Lay Leader)

Report of the Conference Statistician

1. At the time of the completion of this report (31.12.73). 40 of the 52 circuits had reported; this must be considered therefore as a preliminary report on our 1973 statistics. For the purposes of compilation, 1972 figures have been used where 1973 data were not available. Those circuits which have not yet reported are urged to do so immediately for inclusion in the final report which will appear in the 1974 *Journal*.

II. The following items are abstracted from current statistics for report:

A. *Workers in Church Activities*

| Item | No. | Change from 1972 |
|---|-----|------------------|
| Members of Conference under Appointment: | | |
| (a) African | 59 | plus 8 |

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|----------|
| (b) Missionary | 26 | plus 5 |
| Missionaries | 57 | -3 |
| Approved Supply Pastors | 8 | -9 |
| Local Preachers | 1 522 | plus 104 |
| Exhorters and Class Leaders | 2 034 | plus 132 |

Perhaps the most interesting feature of these statistics is the increase of 8, in African members of Conference under appointment, and the corresponding decrease of 9 in Approved Supply Pastors. This is entirely consistent with our policy of a more highly trained ministry. The figures for Local Preachers and Class Leaders show a satisfactory rise in both categories.

B. Christian Community

| Item | No. | Change from 1972 |
|--|--------|------------------|
| Bapt Child (under 12 years) | 10 554 | plus 2 788 |
| Enrolled Beginners | 4 911 | plus 252 |
| Preparatory Members | 5 755 | -29 |
| Tot. on Prob. | 17 512 | plus 119 |
| Full members enrolled | 22 557 | plus 1 443 |
| Members Men's Soc. | 1 931 | plus 89 |
| Members Women's Soc. | 9 855 | plus 486 |
| Members Youth Soc. | 3 624 | -355 |
| No. Preach. places | 368 | plus 54 |
| No. Sunday Schools | 704 | plus 192 |
| No. Teachers and Officers in Sunday Schools | 1 313 | -17 |
| No. Pup. in Sunday Schools | 15 212 | -3 228 |
| Average Attendance | 15 123 | plus 3 378 |

These figures show small but significant rises in most categories. Particularly gratifying is a continued rise in our full membership figures to 22 557, an increase of slightly less than 7%. The greatest increase occurred in the Salisbury-Bulawayo District, up from 2 635 to 3 287, and the Mtasa-Makoni District up from 5 285 to 6 339.

C. Composition of Church Membership

This year for the first time we have asked pastors to break down full membership statistics into male/female figures. Since all circuits have not reported, and since some reporting did not do this break-down, I cannot give a comprehensive picture for the Conference yet. What figures I do have indicate that women predominate in our membership, as the following item shows:

| District | No. of circuits reporting this item | male members | female members | Total |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------|
| Mrewa | 6 | 330 | 1 615 | 1 945 |
| Mtasa/Makoni | 7 | 951 | 3 367 | 4 318 |
| Mtoko/Nyadiri | 7 | 346 | 1 732 | 2 078 |
| Salisbury-Byo. | 4 | 566 | 609 | 1 175 |
| Umtali South | 10 | 1 147 | 4 117 | 5 264 |
| Totals | 34 | 3 340 | 11 440 | 14 780 |
| | | (22,6%) | (77,4%) | |

Predictably, the male/female ratio is more even in our urban district. Mabvuku and Mangula are the only circuits in the Conference reporting this item which report more males than females among their full members.

D. Pastoral Activities

| Item | No. | Change from 1972 |
|---------------------------|-------|------------------|
| Children Baptized | 6 443 | plus 4 186 |
| Adults Baptized | 1 371 | plus 99 |
| Beginners Received | 1 952 | plus 104 |
| Prep. Memb. Received | 1 466 | plus 272 |
| Full memb. fr. Proba. | 1 698 | plus 164 |
| Full Memb. rec. by Trans. | 658 | plus 50 |
| Full Memb. rem. by Trans. | 641 | plus 63 |
| Full Memb. who died | 162 | plus 21 |
| Christ. Marr. performed | 374 | plus 62 |

A steady increase in most of these items is shown, and a spectacular one in the number of baptisms performed.

3. The complexity of our statistical forms continues to contribute to a number of inaccuracies in returns. Our current supply of forms is now exhausted, and the Conference is requested to grant the Statistician the authorization to construct and print new forms which simplify procedures at a number of points.

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Conference Statistician*

Part VIII

Pastoral Record

(The record includes only the appointments during membership in the Rhodesia Annual Conference, except for missionaries. Addressees may be found in the Conference membership roll).

1. RETIRED MINISTERS

Chieza, Luke: Rhodesia Conference 1934; Deacon 1936; Elder 1938; 1938-41 Evangelist Mrewa District; 1942-47 Mrewa Centre; 1949-52 Nyakatsapa Circuit; 1954-55 Asst. Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District; 1956-61 Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District, 1962-65 Conference evangelist; 1966 retired.

Chieza, Phillip: Rhodesia Mission Conference 1927; Deacon 1932; Elder 1936; 1927-31 Chiduku Circuit; 1932 Odzi Circuit; 1939-48 Penhalonga Circuit; 1949-54 Chiduku Circuit; 1955 retired.

Chieza, Samuel: Rhodesia Conference 1927; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1927-31 Mrewa; 1931-48 Mtoko; 1949-61 Salisbury; 1962 retired.

Chigubu, Nason: Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; Uzumba South Circuit 1942-53, Nyadiri Circuit 1954-58; Nyadiri East Circuit 1958-66; Maianke South 1966-69; Nyadiri Circuit 1969-72.

Chimbadzwa, Josiah: Rhodesia Conference 1926; Deacon 1929; Elder 1930; 1926-30 Assistant, Theological School, Old Umtali; 1931-33 Assistant Pastor, Old Umtali and teacher in Hartzell Training School; 1934-35 Assistant Pastor, Old Umtali; 1936-40 Pastor, Old Umtali; 1941-46 Salisbury; 1946-51 Old Umtali; 1952-58 Umtali; 1959-60 supernumerary; 1961 Salisbury (Harare); 1962 Old Umtali Biblical Institute; 1963 retired.

Chitombo, Jonah: Rhodesia Conference 1933; Deacon 1935; Elder 1938; in school 1933-35; 1935-47 Nyadiri Circuit; 1948-52 Nyadiri East Circuit; 1953-55 Assistant Superintendent, Nyadiri District; 1956 Nyadiri District; 1957-59 Mrewa and Nyadiri Districts; 1960 Supt. Mrewa District; 1961 Chairman and Pastor, Mutambara Centre; 1967 retired.

James, Henry I.: West Wisconsin Conference 1907; Deacon 1910; Elder 1913; 1907 Birchwood; transferred Wisconsin Conference 1908; 1908-09 Algoma; 1910-12 Oconto; transferred East Central Africa Mission Conference 1913; 1913-14 St. Paul's Penhalonga; 1915 Principal Hartzell Training School; 1916-19 Mission Treasurer; 1916-17 Bible Dept. and Mission Press; 1917-18 Principal Central Training School Old Umtali Circuit; 1919 on furlough; 1920-22 Superintendent, Umtali District and St. Andrews Church; 1920-24 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1923-24 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1925-26 on furlough; 1927-28 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1929-31, Superintendent, Umtali District and St. Andrews Church; 1932-34 Superintendent, Umtali District and Principal Theological School, Pastor Old Umtali, and Mission Press; 1930-34 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1935 on furlough; 1936-47 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1949 on furlough; 1949-51 Superintendent Mutambara; 1952 retired.

Kasambira, Silas P.: Rhodesia Conference 1932; Deacon 1934; Elder 1936; in school 1932-33 Penhalonga; 1935-40 Gandanzara Circuit; 1941-45 Mt. Makomwe; 1945-52 Nyanyadzi; 1954-62 Mutambara West; 1963 supernumerary; 1964 retired.

Katsidzira, Benjamin: Rhodesia Conference 1924; Deacon 1926; Elder 1930; 1924-25 Nyamukwarara; 1926 Gandanzara; 1927-31 Ganda-

nzara Circuit; 1932-34 Mtasa Circuit; 1935-38 Maranke Circuit; 1939-48 Zimunya Circuit; 1950 Chiduku North Circuit; 1951 retired.

Katsldzira, Hosea: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-35 Mangwendi Circuit; 1935-38 Headlands Circuits; 1939-61 Mrewa Circuit; 1962 retired.

Machiri, Jonah: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1933; Elder 1935; in school 1933-35; 1935-37 Evangelist, Old Umtali District; 1938-39 Mukahanana Circuit; 1940-41 Teacher, Hartzell Training School, Old Umtali; 1942-48 Chiduku South Circuit; 1949-54 Chiduku North Circuit; 1949-54 Maranke South Circuit; 1955-62 Penhalonga Mundenda; 1963 Maranke North; 1966 retired.

Machiri, Patrick: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-33 Chiduku Circuit; 1934-35 Maranke Circuit; 1936-49 Nyakatsapa; 1950-51 Mtoko; 1952-54 Chiduku North; 1935-65 Gandanzara; 1965 retired.

Makuto, Daniel: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; Chikwizo 1949; Mtoko 1951; Mrewa West 1957; Mrewa Centre 1963; Conference Evangelist, North 1967; Chaplain, Nyadiri Hospital 1969; Retired 1974.

Mandisodza, Wilson: Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-43 Muziti; 1944-46 Nyakatsapa; 1947-49 Old Umtali Circuit; 1950-51 Nyadiri Circuit; 1952 Mrewa East Circuit; 1953-61 Mrewa North; 1962 Chiduku North; 1967 retired; Died December 26, 1969.

Maramba, Johnson: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1936; 1930 Assistant Hartzell Training School; 1931-33 Mukahanana Circuit; 1934 in school; 1935-36 Penhalonga; 1936-38 Penhalonga Circuit; 1939-49 Chiduku North; 1949-50 Nyadiri; 1950 Penhalonga, Mundenda; 1955-63 Zimunya South; 1964 retired.

Mparutsa, Moses: Rhodesia Conference 1928; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1928-29 Umtali; 1930-44 Nyadiri; 1945-54 Zimunya School Circuit; 1955 Assistant Superintendent Maranke-Chiduku District; 1956-57 Superintendent Maranke District; 1955-58 Maranke Central Circuit; 1959-61 Umtali; 1962-63 Chaplain, Nyadiri Hospital; 1964 retired.

Munjoma, Enoch: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-53 Mtoko North Circuit; 1954-57 Zimunya Circuit; 1958-61 Mrewa Centre; 1962 retired.

O'Farrell, Thomas A.: East Central Africa Conference 1910; Deacon and Elder 1910; 1910-15 Mutambara Mission and Circuit; 1915-18 on furlough; 1919 Principal Central Training School, Old Umtali; 1919-20 Mrewa Mission and Circuit; 1921-23 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1924 on furlough; 1925-26 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1927-31 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1932 on furlough; 1933-39 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1940 on furlough; 1941-47 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1948 on furlough; 1949-51 Umtali African work; 1951-52 on furlough; 1953 retired.

Rugayo, Jackson: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-48 Mutambara Circuit; 1949-51 Mrewa; 1952 Maranke North Circuit; 1953-62 Nyanyadzi Circuit; 1963, retired.

2. EFFECTIVE MINISTERS

Alvord, Alexander Mapes: Northern California Nevada Conference 1958; Deacon 1958; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1959; Elder 1960; Rusape Wesley and Chiduku-Chikore District Schools 1959; Furlough 1964; Leave of absence 1964; transferred to Western North Carolina Conference 1965; Transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1967; Principal of Mrewa, August 1967; Acting Education Sec-Principal of Mrewa, August 1967; Acting Education Secretary; Conference Director of Christian Education 1970; Methodist Children's Hostel 1971; furlough and study leave 1972; Education Sec-
retary 1974.

Anfinsen, Hans Faye: Norway Conference 1948; Deacon 1951; Elder (Missionary rule) 1952; Sandnes 1948; in school 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1952; Marange-Chiduku 1952; furlough 1957; Supt. of Mrewa District schools 1958; Supt. of District schools, Chairman Mrewa Mission 1959; Chairman Mrewa Centre 1960; furlough 1963; Rusape (Wesley), Manager Zimunya Schools 1965; Field Treasurer 1968; Furlough 1969; bursar Epworth Theological College 1970; Conference Auditor 1971-1973.

Ball, Marcia Mary: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1958; Christian Centre Umtali 1952; furlough 1957; Conf. Director Christian Education, Women's Bible Training 1958; Literature Planning Editor 1961; furlough 1963; Director Umtali Christian Centre 1964; Treasurer, Old Umtali 1966; Bookkeeper, Scripture teacher 1967; furlough 1968; Scripture Teacher, Associate Pastor Old Umtali 1969; Manager Market Square Bookroom 1972.

Bisby, Joseph Brice: Texas Conference 1955; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; Served charges in Texas Conference 1955; Transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1961; Mutambara Circuit Schools 1961; Headmaster, Mutambara, furlough 1966; Nyamuzuwe High School 1967; District Superintendent Mtoko-Nyadiri District 1972.

Bjerkerot, Ernst: On trial after seminary graduation 1952; Sweden Conference Deacon 1956; Elder 1958; Hultsfred 1952; Hudiksvall 1954; Boden 1955; Stockholm, St. Peter 1958; Transferred to South East Africa Conference under New York Board of Missions 1959; Language study 1959; Superintendent Mozambique work in Rhodesia 1961; Director of Education Eastern Transvaal District, South Africa 1962; furlough 1964; language work 1965; Transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1966; Epworth 1966; furlough 1968.

Blomquist, Lennart: Sweden Conference 1940; Deacon 1942; Elder 1944; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1947; Nyadiri District missionary 1947; Superintendent, Nyadiri District 1950; furlough 1952; Mutambara 1954; Old Umtali Farm 1957; furlough 1960; Superintendent Mtoko-Nyadiri District 1961; furlough 1965; Conference Stewardship and Land Agent 1967; furlough 1969; Land Agent 1970; Land Agent South 1971.

Chidzikwe, Josiah: Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; Mukahanana Circuit 1948; Penhalonga Circuit 1949; Assistant Religious Education 1950; Marange North Circuit 1951; Mrewa 1952; Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali 1957; Studies abroad 1961; Chairman Nyadiri Centre, Pastor, O'Farrell Memorial Church 1962; Miller Memorial Church, Sakubva 1966; District Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District 1970.

Chikosi, Davidson: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; Gandanzara Circuit 1953; Supernumerary relation 1955; Muta-

mbara East 1956; Superintendent Mrewa District 1963; Nyanyadzi 1969; Munyarari 1973.

Chimbganda, Elijah: Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; Mtoko North 1955; Studies abroad 1963; Mtoko north 1964; Uzumba South 1966; Mrewa East Circuit 1968.

Chinoda, Micah: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1971; Deacon 1971; Elder 1973; Salisbury-Bulawayo C.E. Director 1971; Editor Umbowo 1972; Study leave 1974.

Chitiyo, Elijah: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1971; Deacon 1971; Elder 1973; Chitenderano 1971.

Chiza, Martin: Rhodesia Conference 1952; Deacon 1954; Elder 1956; Gandanzara Circuit 1952; Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali 1953; Studies abroad 1957; Epworth Theological College 1959; Conference Evangelist South 1966; Highfield Circuit 1968; Lay Training and Stewardship North 1972; Mutambara Centre 1974.

Choto, Kenneth: Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; Mrewa School supervisor and Mrewa East 1948; Assistant Superintendent, Mrewa District 1954; District Superintendent Mtoko District 1957; Studies abroad 1958; Old Umtali Biblical Institute and station chairman 1959; Harare, Salisbury 1962; Nyamutumbu 1966; Nyadiri Centre 1971.

Culver, Maurice E.: Newark Conference 1942; Deacon and Elder 1944; New Jersey 1942; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1945; Marange and Zimunya Circuits 1945; Superintendent Maranke Zimunya District 1947; Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District 1947; Superintendent Umtali District 1948; Furlough 1949; Secretary of Literature and Evangelism 1952; Principal Old Umtali Theological School and manager Rhodesia Mission Press 1954; Furlough 1957; Principal Old Umtali Biblical Institute, Chairman Old Umtali 1959; Epworth Theological College 1961; Claremont School of Theology 1963; Dean, Asbury Theological Seminary 1964; Epworth Theological Seminary 1964; Epworth Theological College 1968.

Curtis, Thomas L.: South Georgia Conference 1957; Deacon 1958; Elder 1959; St. Luke's Church Columbus, Georgia (Associate Pastor) 1958; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1961; Assistant Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District 1961; Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District 1962; furlough 1965; Principal Nyamuzuwe 1966; Urban and Stewardship Ministry, Salisbury 1967; Rusape Wesley Circuit 1968; Superintendent, Salisbury-Bulawayo District 1969.

Dikanifluwa, Nason A.: Rhodesia Conference 1954; Deacon 1956 Elder 1958; Nyadiri Mission 1955; Miller Memorial Church Umtali 1957; Studies abroad 1961; Miller Memorial Church Umtali 1962; Mrewa Mission Church 1966; Harare Circuit 1971.

Dikito, Lancelot: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1972; Deacon 1972; Elder 1974; Mangula 1972; Midlands Circuit 1973.

Eriksson Kare: Norway Conference 1941; Deacon 1946; Elder 1947; Mo in Rana 1941; Sigerford 1943; Bood 1944; in school 1947; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1949; District Missionary, Mutambara 1949; Superintendent Mutambara District, Principal Mutambara 1952; Furlough 1954; Superintendent Mutambara District, Principal Mutambara School 1955; Administrative Assistant to the Bishop 1959; Furlough and studies 1961; Epworth Theological College, Principal 1963; Furlough 1966; Epworth Theological College 1967; Administrative Assistant to the Bishop 1968; Principal, Epworth Theological college, Administrative Assistant to the Bishop 1969; furlough 1971; Conference Extension Director, Administrative Assistant to the Bishop and Epworth tutor 1972.

Feilker, James: Transferred from Michigan West Conference 1971; Associate Pastor, Mutambara Centre and Secondary School Staff 1971; furlough 1972.

Goodloe, Robert W.: Rhodesia Conference 1956; Deacon 1952; Elder 1956; School Superintendent Mtasa District 1956; Principal Hartzell Theological School 1957; Epworth Theological College 1959; Furlough 1961; Hendrix College 1962.

Griffin Hunter D.: Kentucky Conference 1947; Deacon 1949; Elder 1950; Transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1951; District Missionary Mtasa-Makoni 1951; Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni 1952; Furlough 1956; Nyadiri Mission 1957; Administrative Assistant to the Bishop 1961; Furlough 1962; Old Umtali Biblical Institute 1963; Executive Secretary Ngariende, Extension Coordinator 1965; Field Treasurer after short furlough 1967; furlough 1968, then staff of the Board of Missions, N.Y.

Gurupira, Philemon: Rhodesia Conference 1952; Deacon 1954; Elder 1956; Mtoko African Missionary Society 1952; Chiduku South 1956; Nyadiri Circuit 1959; Mtoko West 1965; Mtoko Centre 1969.

Gurure, J. Johnstone: Rhodesia Conference 1963; Deacon 1965; Elder 1966; Mrewa South 1963; Supernumerary Relations 1968; Uzumba South 1969; Mrewa Centre 1971.

Hanson, Coriless V.: Alabama-West Florida Conference 1954; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; Transferred to Angola Conference 1959; Transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1964; Panama City, Fla. 1950; Brent, Ala. 1951; Lexington N.C. 1954; Missionary preparation 1958; Wm. Taylor Bible School, Quessua, Angola 1959; Teacher Training, Nyadiri 1964; Conference Director Christian Education 1966; Furlough 1968.

Harper, Kenneth: California-Nevada Conference 1948; Deacon and Elder 1948; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1951; 1951 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1952 Teacher Training Old Umtali; 1954 on furlough; 1956 study leave; 1959 University of Kentucky.

Hassing, Per: Norway Conference 1937; Deacon 1938; Elder 1939; 1937 Conference Evangelist; 1939 Transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1940 Superintendent of Schools, Old Umtali District; 1942 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1949 Superintendent Umtali South District; 1952 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1953 on furlough; 1955 Field Treasurer and Correspondent; 1956 Administrative Assistant; 1960 on furlough; 1961 Boston University School of Theology; transfer, Boston Conference 1973.

Heyer, Edward: Transferred from United Church of Christ to Rock River Conference 1959; Elder 1959; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1960; Mrewa District Schools 1960; Nyadiri Teacher Training 1962; 1964 on furlough.

Huddleston, Darrell: New England Conference, Deacon 1968; Central Kansas Conference, Deacon 1968; transferred Rhodesia Annual Conference (dual) 1973; Elder 1973; Rusape Wesley 1972; Publicity and Promotion/Land Agent South II 1973.

Hughes, Robert Epperson: North Alabama Conference 1953; Deacon 1953; Elder 1955; appointments 1955; Supernumerary 1959; in School 1961; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1962; Mutambara Church 1962; 1963 Social Evangelism, Asst. Pastor Salisbury (High-fields); 1965 Mindolo Ecumenical Centre; 1967 special appointment with the United Nation Office of Economic Opportunity, Atlanta, Ga. 1968.

Jijita, Elliot: Rhodesia Conference 1962; Deacon 1964; Asst. pastor Harare and Audio-Visual 1962; Old Umtali Biblical Institute 1963; Mundenda 1965; Conference Youth Director 1966; Elder 1968; Harare

1969; Director of Ministry to Youth 1970; Director of Conference Ministry to Children and Youth and Temperance Education, 1972; Miller Memorial Circuit 1974.

Jijita John: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; Maramba-Pfungwe 1953; Nyadiri Centre 1957; Rusape 1962; Nyakatsapa 1968; District Superintendent, Umtali South 1970.

Johnson, Morgan: South Georgia Conference 1951; Deacon 1951; Elder 1955; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1962; Mrewa Primary School 1952; P.T.L. Old Umtali 1953; Teacher, Atlanta, Geo. 1955; Student 1960; P.T.L. Mutambara 1961; P.T.H. and High School, Old Umtali 1962; part time pastor, Mundenda 1963; High School Old Umtali 1965; furlough 1966; Nyadiri Teacher Training School 1967; Nyadiri High School 1970; Nyadiri Teacher Training 1973.

Kadenge, Fanuel: Deacon 1965; Elder 1967; Highfield Circuit 1965; Mutambara Centre 1968; Headlands Circuit 1974.

Kaemer, John E.: Angola Conference 1959; Deacon 1961; transferred to South East Africa Conference 1961; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1963; Elder 1964; Nyadiri Teacher Training 1964; Music Research 1965; furlough 1968; Director Church music 1971; furlough 1974.

Kajese, Amon: Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; Maramba-Pfungwe 1942; Uzumba North and South 1953; Mtoko South 1960; Mtoko West 1969.

Kalso, Milton L.: Pacific Northwest Conference 1961; Deacon 1961; Elder 1964; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1964; Mutambara Teacher Training 1964; Nyadiri Teacher Training 1965; furlough 1967; Nyadiri Teacher Training and Associate Pastor and Student Chaplain 1970; University of Rhodesia 1971. Chaplain 1970; University of Rhodesia 1971; Bulawayo United College of Education 1973; Nyadiri Teacher Training 1974.

Kanonuhwa, Arthur: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1967; Deacon 1967; Elder 1969; Maranke North Circuit 1967; Miller Memorial Church, Sakubva 1970; Mrewa North Circuit 1974.

Kapenzi, Geoffrey: Rhodesia Conference 1960; Deacon 1964; Elder 1966; Overseas study 1960; Supernumerary Relation 1968.

Katsande, Alfred: Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1955 Nyamukwarara; 1957 Inyanga North; 1962 Asst. Umtali; 1963 studies abroad; 1964 Marange Central; Nyamuzuwe and Mtoko North 1968; Uzumba Circuit 1972.

Kawadza, Jonah: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953 Mrewa East Circuit; Chikwizo Circuit; 1961 Sput. Mrewa District; 1964 Administrative Assistant, Studies Overseas 1968; Student Chaplain, Mrewa 1974.

Kurewa, John: Rhodesia Conference 1960; Deacon 1962; Elder 1964; 1960 Chikwizo; 1961 studies overseas; Epworth Theological College 1967; Studies Overseas 1970; Epworth Theological College 1973.

Kurewa, Josiah: Deacon 1965; Elder 1967; Chikwizo 1965; Mrewa North 1967; Studies overseas 1970; Conference Director of Christian Education August 1973; Mrewa District Superintendent 1974.

Kuwana, Elisha L.: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1956; Elder

1958; 1953 Nyamukwarara; 1954 Mrewa West 1957 Mtoko East; 1964 Chiduku South; Chikore-Tanda 1971.

Leiknes, Asbjorn: Norway Conference 1948; Deacon 1949; Elder 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1950; District missionary, Nyadiri; 1952 Superintendent, Nyadiri District; 1955 on furlough; 1959 Superintendent Mutambara and Umtali-Zimunya Districts; 1960 Umtali (St. Andrews); 1961 Old Umtali Secondary School; 1963 on furlough; 1965 Mutambara Teacher Training/Secondary; 1967 short furlough; Principal and Associate Pastor Mutambara 1968; Lay Training southern district 1971.

Madzinga, Nason: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953 Nyadiri East Circuit; 1957 Maramba-Pfungwe; 1963 studies abroad; 1964 Mtoko East; 1965 Supt. Mtoko-Nyadiri; District; Nyamuzuwe Centre 1972.

Makande, Josiah, L.: Assistant Pastor, CE. Director Harare 1955; O.U.B.I. 1961; Ordained Local Deacon 1964; Rhodesia Annual Conference 1971; Elder 1973; Headlands 1963; Mutambara West 1969.

Makunike, Willas: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1966; Deacon 1966; Elder 1968; Mundenda Circuit 1966; Nyakatsapa Circuit 1970.

Marara, Willie: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1970; Deacon 1970; Gandanzara 1970; Elder 1972.

Masenda, Jairus, K.: C. E. Worker Mtoko District 1956; OUBI 1959; Mrewa East 1961; Maramba-Pfungwe 1968; Rhodesia Annual Conference 1971; Maranke Central 1971; Elder 1973.

Matongo, Rudolph: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1963; Deacon 1965; Elder 1966; Mutambara West 1963; Headlands Circuit 1969; Mrewa West 1971.

Mawanga, Wilson: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1968; Deacon 1968; Elder 1970; Mutambara East Circuit 1968; Honde Valley Circuit 1971; Inyanga Circuit 1973.

Mawokomatanda, Isaac: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1968; Deacon 1968; Elder 1970; Rusape-Bulawayo Circuit 1968; Mabvuku Circuit 1971.

Messenger, Franklin: Missouri East Conference 1966; Deacon 1967; Rhodesia Annual Conference 1968; Conference Auditor 1968; furlough 1971; Elder 1973; Conference Auditor/Salisbury Inner city Chaplain 1973; Conference Auditor 1974.

Miller, Charles M.: Baltimore Conference 1949; Deacon 1950; Elder 1951; studies 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Annual Conference 1953; District Superintendent, Mutambara 1953; District Superintendent, Mrewa 1955; Social Centre Umtali 1958; furlough 1959; Director, Umtali Social Centre 1960; furlough 1964; Treasurer Old Umtali 1965; District Superintendent, Umtali South District 1966; furlough 1970; Conference Director of Christian Education, until August 1973; Conference Director of Stewardship 1973.

Mkasa, Caleb: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1965; Deacon 1965; Elder 1967; Assistant pastor Miller Memorial Church Sakubva 1965; Nyamuzuwe and Mtoko North Circuits 1966; studies at Mindolo Ecumenical Centre 1968; Marange West Circuit 1969; Marange North Circuit 1970.

Mudiwa, Peter: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1969; Deacon 1969; Dendera 1969; Mrewa South Circuit 1971; Elder 1973.

Mudzengerere, David: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1960; Deacon 1961; Elder 1963; Headlands 1960; Nyanyadzi 1963; Pastor and Chairman Old Umtali 1965; District Superintendent Mrewa District 1969; Nyadiri Circuit 1974.

Mukangara, Samuel: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1967; Deacon 1967; Elder 1969; Honde Valley Circuit 1967; disability leave 1971; Miller Memorial Associate Pastor 1973; Mangula Circuit 1974.

Munjoma, John: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1962; Associate Pastor Old Umtali 1962; Deacon 1964; studies abroad 1964; Elder 1966; Bible Society of Rhodesia, Distribution Manager, 1974.

Munjoma, Samuel: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; Uzumba North Circuit 1942; Mutambara Mission 1950; Mundenda 1951; Maranke North Circuit 1954; Bulawayo 1963; Old Umtali pastor and Station Chairman 1969.

Murphree, Marshall Warne: Indiana Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1957; Lanesville, Ind. 1954; School Manager Mtasa-Makoni 1955; transferred to Rhodesia Annual Conference 1956; Evangelist Mtoko-Nyadiri 1956; School manager Nyadiri 1957; furlough 1960; Secretary of Evangelism (Ngariende) and Extension Coordinator 1962; furlough 1965; Principal Nyamuzuwe 1966; Epworth Theological College 1966; University College of Rhodesia 1968.

Mushapaldze, Davison: Entered Conference 1953; Mtoko East Circuit 1970; Dendera 1971; Mtoko East Circuit 1972.

Mutamba, Webster: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1971; Deacon 1971; Elder 1973; Nyakatsapa 1971; Director Sakubva Christian Centre 1972; 1974 Associate Pastor Miller Memorial Church and Director Sakubva Christian Centre.

Muzitli, Josiah: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1962; Inyanga North 1962; Inyanga South 1964; Deacon 1965; Elder 1966; Gandanzara 1967; Mrewa North 1970; Voluntary Location, 1974.

Muzulu, Samuel: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1956; Deacon 1958; Elder 1960; Nyakatsapa 1956; Mrewa Centre 1961; studies abroad 1963; Mrewa North 1964; Harare Circuit 1966; Muradzikwa 1969.

Mvenge, Thomas: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1969; Deacon 1969; Assistant Pastor Miller Memorial Church Sakubva 1969; Mutambara East Circuit 1971.

Mwarewangepo, Zebediah: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1968; Deacon 1968; Elder 1970; Marange Central Circuit 1968; Highfield Circuit 1972.

Nderere, John: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1970; Deacon 1970; Mufakose Circuit 1970; Elder 1972; Mufakose-Bindura Circuit 1974.

Nduna Samuel: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1966; Deacon 1966; Elder 1968; Zimunya South District 1965; Maranke South 1969; Chiduku North Circuit 1970; Mundenda-Penhalonga 1971.

Nyakuengama, Samson: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1965; Deacon 1965; Elder 1967; Zimunya South Circuit 1965; Marange Circuit 1969.

Nyamukapa, Patron: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; in school 1948; North east Mtoko District 1949; Conference Evangelism 1952; Evangelism Mrewa District 1956; Headlands 1957; Mutambara Centre 1959; District Superintendent Umtali South District 1960; Pastor and Station Chairman Nyadiri 1966; Conference Evangelist 1971.

Nyamurowa, Dennison: Rhodesia Conference 1961; Deacon 1963; Elder 1965; Uzumba North and South 1961; Bible Societies in Malawi 1965.

Nyanungo, Lovemore: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1964; Deacon 1965; Elder 1966; Maranke South 1964; Zimunya North 1965; studies in Kenya 1969; Bulawayo 1969.

Otto, Grace: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1948; Elder 1952; 1954 Mutambara Girls' School; 1955 on furlough; 1956 Headmistress Mutambara Girls' School; 1961 furlough; 1962 mistress Muta-mbara Teacher Training; 1964 Nyadiri Teacher Training; 1968 furlough; 1967 Associate Pastor and Student Chaplain, Old Umtali; Director Women's Work Epworth Theological College 1969; Nyadiri T.T. 1971; Leave of absence 1972; Temporary teaching, Mrewa Secondary School 3rd term 1973; Maun Secondary School 1974.

Otto, Vivian: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1948; Elder 1952; 1954 Nyadiri Girls' School; 1955 on furlough; 1956 Nyadiri; 1957 Old Umtali Teacher Training; 1958 Mutambara Teacher Training; 1961 on furlough; 1963 Headmistress Old Umtali Teacher Training; 1965 Headmistress Nyadiri Teacher Training; 1967 furlough; Women's Work Epworth Theological College 1970; Nyadiri T.T. 1971; Leave of absence 1972; Temporary assignment to Epworth 3rd term 1973; Maun Secondary School 1974.

Sakutombo, John: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1971; Deacon 1971; Elder 1973; Chiduku North Circuit, 1974.

Sanganzah, Sandah: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1971; Deacon 1971; Elder 1974; Inner-city Chaplain Salisbury 1971-72; Student, University of Rhodesia 1972.

Shamu, Kenneth: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1966; Deacon 1966; Elder 1968; Nyanyadzi Circuit 1966; Zimunya South 1969; Rusape Railway Circuit 1971.

Stine, Ovid A.: Southern Illinois Conference 1941; Deacon 1943; Elder 1945; 1941 Mt. Erie; 1942 Elisabethtown; 1943 Harrisburg "Dorris Heights"; 1946 in school; 1950 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1950 Mtoko Missionary; 1952 Supt. Mrewa District; 1955 on furlough; 1956 Supt. Makoni District; 1958 Supt. Mtoko District and Principal Nyamuzuwe Mission; 1961 furlough; 1962 Adminstrative Assistant; 1964 Evangelist at Shapuri; 1965 District Supt. Mtasa-Makoni District; furlough 1965; furlough 1969; Botswana 1970; 1974, Pastorate, Southern Illinois Conference.

Thomas, Norman Ernest: New York East Conference 1955; Deacon 1955; Transferred to Oregon Conference 1956; Elder 1957; 1958 Portland (Errol Heights); 1960 in school; 1962 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1962 Conference Director of Christian Education; 1966 furlough; Secretary of Urban Evangelism R.C.C. 1967; furlough 1969; R.C.C. 1970; Epworth Theological College 1971; furlough 1973; Mindolo Ecumenical Institute 1974.

Tsiga, Julius: Rhodesia Annual Conference, 1970; Assistant pastor and student chaplain Mrewa Centre, Jan-June 1970; Reinstated 1972; associate pastor, student chaplain and teacher Old Umtali, 1972-73; Student, University of Rhodesia 1974.

Usore, Jotham: Rhodesia Annual Conference, 1971; Deacon 1971; Elder 1973; Associate pastor Miller Memorial Church 1971; Mangula Circuit 1973; 1974, left without appointment to attend school.

Zhungu Lamech: Rhodesia Annual Conference, 1965; Deacon 1965; Elder 1967; Makoni Circuit 1965-67; C.E. Worker 1967-71 Mtasa-Makoni District; 1971-2, Zimunya South Circuit; 1973 Studies in C.E. Nigeria; August 1973, Nyadiri Circuit; 1974, Director of Christian Education.

Zuze, Solomon: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1959; 1954 Mtoko North Circuit; 1956 Chikwizo; 1958 Zimunya North; 1965 Maramba-Pfungwe; Mrewa South 1967; Makoni Circuit 1971.

MINISTERS ON TRIAL

Chapata, Edward: O.U.B.I. 1961; Rhodesia Annual Conference 1973; Deacon 1973; Mrewa West and (June) Mrewa North 1963; District Christian Education Mrewa 1964; District Christian Education Mtko-Nyadiri 1969; Nyamuzuwe Asssitant Pastor 1972.

Dzilwa, Nisbert: Nyanyadzi, Christian Education 1962; Kitwe, Zambia, Youth Work Course 1962; Umtali South Christian Education 1963; Mrewa District Christian Education 1968; Chikwizo 1972.

Hodzli, David: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1974; Deacon 1974; Rupinda Circuit 1974.

Maramba, Jonathan: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1973; Deacon 1973; Honde Circuit 1973.

Muchanyerel, Morgan J.: O.U.B.I. 1962; Rhodesia Annual Conference 1973; Deacon 1973; Penhalonga-Odzi Circuit 1964-67; Makoni Circuit 1968; Epworth Theological College 1969-72; Mutambara South Circuit 1973.

Muzorewa, David: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1973; Deacon 1973; Mutambara Centre Associate Pastor and Student Chaplain 1973.

Neshiri, Reddson: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1974; Deacon 1974; Old Umtali Ehnes Memorial Associate Pastor and Student Chaplain 1974.

Zimonte, Passion: Rhodesia Annual Conference 1974; Deacon 1974; Mtoko North 1974.

3. APPROVED SUPPLY PASTORS—RECORD

Chidawanyika, Bennett: O.U.B.I. 1964; Epworth Theological College 1965; Honde Valley 1966; Nyamukwarara 1967; Ordained Local Deacon 1969; Nhowe Circuit 1973.

Chikodzi, Elias: O.U.B.I. 1961; Maranke South 1963; Inyanga 1967; Ordained Local Deacon 1969; Inyanga Circuit 1970; Tati Circuit, Botswana 1973.

Matambanadzo, Annual: Dindi 1963; Sakubva Hilltop 1964; Mara-

nke West 1965; Mt. Darwin 1966; Chikwizo 1969; Dendera 1972.

Mhandu, Kenneth: Christian Education worker Chiduku 1955; O.U.B.I. 1961; Nyamukwarara 1963; Chikwizo 1966; Makoni Circuit 1969; Headlands Circuit 1971; Marange West Circuit 1974.

Nkomo, Kalboni: Christian Education Salisbury-Bulawayo district 1967; Mangula Circuit pastor 1970; Maranke West Circuit 1972; Marandellas Circuit 1974.

Rhodesia Annual Conference Calendar 1974

FEBRUARY

| | |
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| 9 | Men's United Methodist Club — Large Executive North (Mrewa). |
| 22-24 | Mrewa District Conference (Headlands Circuit). |
| 23 | Mtoko - Nyadiri District Finance Committee. |
| 27 | Ash Wednesday. |

MARCH

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| 1 | World Day of Prayer. |
| 3 | First Sunday in Lent |
| 8-10 | Mtoko-Nyadiri District Conference (Mtoko). |
| 15-17 | Mrewa District M.U.M.C. Leadership Training. |
| 22-24 | Mtoko District M.U.M.C. Leadership Training. |
| 30-31 | Salisbury-Bulawayo District Conference. |

APRIL

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| 7 | Palm Sunday |
| 11 | Maundy Thursday |
| 12 | Good Friday |
| 14 | Easter Sunday |
| 18-24 | Christian Social Concerns Week |
| 20-21 | Salisbury-Bulawayo M.U.M.C. Leadership Training. |
| 28-3 May | R.R.W. Leadership Training School (Umtali South). |
| 29-6 May | Ecumenical Arts Workshop (Midlands). |

MAY

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| 19 | Rukwadzano RweWadzimai Sunday. |
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| 23 | Ascension Day. |
| JUNE | |
| 2 | Whit Sunday (Pentecost). |
| 9 | Trinity Sunday. |
| 30 | Student Loan Sunday. |
| JULY | |
| 12-14 | Mtasa-Makoni District Conference (Nyakatsapa). |
| 19-21 | Umtali South District Conference (Rowa School). |
| 26-28 | Mrewa District Youth Revival. |
| 28 | Harvest Sunday. |
| AUGUST | |
| 4 | Ngariende Sunday. |
| 2-4 | U.M.Y.F. Umtali South District Revival. |
| 9-11 | U.M.Y.F. Mtoko-Nyadiri District Revival. |
| 15-18 | M.U.M.C. South Convention at Chiringaodzi. |
| 14-18 | R.R.W. (North) Convention. |
| 21-25 | R.R.W. (South) Convention at Nyatande. |
| 29-1 Sept. | M.U.M.C. North Convention/Mtasa-Makoni District Youth Revival. |
| SEPT. | |
| 6-8 | U.M.Y.F. Salisbury-Bulawayo District Revival. |
| 15 | Ministry Sunday (Send offering to Conference Treasurer.) |
| 22 | U.M.Y.F. Sunday. |
| 29 | Christian Education Sunday. |
| OCTOBER | |
| 6 | World Communion Sunday. |
| 13 | Laity Sunday. |
| 26 | North & South M.U.M.C. Joint Executive (Mrewa Centre). |
| NOV. | |
| 1-3 | Mtasa-Makoni Lay Training School. |
| 8-10 | Umtali South Lay Training School (Hilltop). |

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| 10 | Drug & Alcohol Concerns Sunday. |
| 29-1 Dec. | Mtoko-Nyadiri Lay Training School. |
| 30 | M.U.M.C. Large Executive (Mrewa Centre). |
| DEC. | |
| 1 | First Sunday in Advent. |
| 6-11 | Annual Youth General Conference (Salisbury—Bulawayo District). |
| 6-8 | Salisbury-Bulawayo Lay Training School / M.U.M.C. (South) Old Umtali. |
| 10-13 | R.R.W. Dumba in Mtoko-Nyadiri District. |
| 13-15 | Mrewa District Lay Training School. |
| 22 | Christmas Sunday. |
| 25 | Christmas Day |
| 31 | New Year's Eve (Watch Night). |
| Dec 30-31 | Rhodesia Annual Conference Committee meetings at Mutambara. |
| JAN. 1975 | |
| 1-6 | Conference Sessions. |

by Rev. Jonathan W. Maramba

Part VII

ROLL OF OUR HONOURED DEAD

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord"

(a) **Bishops:**

Bishop Joseph Crane Hartzell, Born June 1, 1842, Died September 6, 1928. Bishop for Africa, May 1896-1916.

Bishop Eben S. Johnson, Born (Unknown), Died December 1939. Bishop for Africa, 1916-1936.

Bishop John M. Springer, Born (Unknown). Died December 2, 1963. Bishop for Rhodesia 1936-1944.

Bishop Newell Snow Booth, Born (Unknown). Died May 17, 1968. Bishop for Congo and Southern Africa, 1944-1956.

Sells, Ernest Lawrence, age 73, died September 7, 1972. Served as a missionary in Rhodesia 1929-1964, buried in Kansas, U.S.A.

Roll of Our Honored Dead (Continued)

| (b) Members of Conference | Place of Birth | Ent'd Conf. | Yrs. of Service | Age | Place of Burial | Journal Record in |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Buchwalter, Abraham L. | Fertility, Penn. | 1899 | 26 | 52 | Monrovia, California | 1917 |
| Gurney, Samuel | Long Branch, N. J. | 1887 | 21 | 64 | Salisbury, So. Rhodesia | 1924 |
| Howard, Herbert N. | Harrisburg, Penn. | 1907 | 11 | 55 | Canandaigua, N. Y. | 1925 |
| Greeley, Eddy H. | Owatonna, Minn. | 1907 | 30 | 80 | Old Umtali, So. Rhod. | 1938 |
| Faku, Clifford Edward | Fort Beaufort, Cape | 1924 | 27 | 64 | Fort Beaufort, Cape | 1946 |
| Kapenzi, Amos | Gandanzara | 1928 | 20 | 50 | Nyadiri, So. Rhodesia | 1951 |
| Zimonte, Ebson | Uzumba | 1942 | 8 | 35 | Nyadiri, So. Rhodesia | 1951 |
| Huie, Carl William | Oneonta, Ala. | 1946 | 4 | 41 | Old Umtali, So. Rhod. | 1951 |
| Darikwa, Isaiah | Umtasa | 1924 | 27 | 62 | Old Umtali, So. Rhod. | 1951 |
| Chimonyo, Obadiah | Nyambuka, Inyanga | 1932 | 23 | 63 | Old Umtali, So. Rhod. | 1955 |
| Marange, Thomas | Mount Makomwe | 1923 | 25 | 72 | Makomwe, So. Rhod. | 1963 |
| Bourgaize, Wilfred | Ilse, Guernsey | 1921 | 25 | 67 | Old Umtali, So. Rhod. | 1957 |
| Aeschliman, Edward John | Rib Lake, Wisconsin | 1916 | 44 | 72 | Old Umtali, So. Rhod. | 1963 |
| Mandisodza, David | Umtasa | 1921 | 30 | 75 | Vumbunu, So. Rhod. | 1963 |
| Gates, Robert C. | Renova, Pa. | 1923 | 23 | 60 | Renova, Pa. | 1963 |
| Mukombiwa, Zachariah | Gazaland | 1926 | 40 | 65 | Muchinjike | 1963 |
| Murphree, Marshall J. | Oneonta, Ala. | 1920 | 37 | 72 | Oneonta, Ala. | 1967 |
| Marange, Titus | 1924 | 39 | 66 | Maranke Res. | 1967 | |
| Ngonyama, Reginald | 1925 | 27 | 69 | Old Umtali | 1967 | |
| Aldrich, Sylvia | 1953 | 9 | 54 | Hadley, Mich. | 1970 | |
| Mandisodza, Wilson | 1942 | 25 | 69 | Muziti | 1970 | |
| Matongo, Ezekiel | Inyanga | 1955 | 15 | Old Umtali | 1972 | |
| Jangano, Elias | Nyanukwarara | 1948 | 23 | Old Umtali | 1972 | |
| Nduna, John Gonzo | Nyakatsapa | 1928 | 36 | Rowa Farm | 1973 | |
| Sells, Ernest L. | Mutema T.T.L. | | | 56 | 1973 | |
| Roberts, George Arthur | Leistoile, Ohio | 1921 | 43 | Kansas, U.S.A. | 1974 | |
| | Marathon, Iowa | | | 16 | U.S.A. | |
| | | | | 73 | | |
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(c) **Wives of Members:**

Naomi Mparutsa, Wife of Moses Mparutsa, died February 12th, 1933.
Emma Katsidzira, Wife of Murashwa Katsidzira, died May 3rd, 1933.
Emily Faku, Wife of Clifford Faku, died March 1, 1934.
Lydia Sika Munjoma, Wife of Isaiah Munjoma, died February 12th, 1945.
Hilda Ngonyama, Wife of R. N. Ngonyama, died 1948.
Tseneka Chitombo, Wife of Jonah Chitombo, died August 10th, 1948.
Tumanzi Mandisodza, Wife of David Mandisodza, died June 14th, 1953.
Bertha Fowles Roberts, wife of G. A. Roberts, aged 73, died May 9th 1957. She served in Southern Rhodesia 1910-1950. Buried Old Umtali.

Edith Kapenzi, Wife of Amos Kapenzi, died January 23, 1963. Buried at Old Umtali.
Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell, came to Rhodesia in 1910, and retired in 1951. Died on January 26, 1967 in the U.S.A.
Mary Ann Fink, came to Rhodesia 1955. Died October, 1966.
Misodzi Elizabeth Chieza, Wife of Philip Chieza, died February 7, 1969. Buried at Muziti.
Rebecca Mukombiwa, wife of Zacharia Mukombiwa, died Oct. 23, 1969. Buried at Muchinjike.
Emily Hakuzari Rugayo, wife of Jackson Rugayo, died July 1, 1972.
Gates, Mildred Concord; age 75, died April 25, 1970, served as a missionary in Rhodesia 1922-1963, buried in Renova, Pa. U.S.A.
Taurwi Katsidzira, wife of Benjamin Katsidzira, died in 1972.

190 (d) **Other Workers:**

Miss Sadie Rexrode, W.F.M.S., age 38, died January 22, 1921, after three year service in So. Rhodesia. Buried at Old Umtali.
Mr. Charles F. Taylor, age 67, missionary to China, died in the Umtali Hospital, August 14th, 1937 and was buried at Old Umtali.
Miss E. E. Bjorklund, age 63, died November 19th, 1930. Her missionary service extended over a period of thirty-five years. She served in China and Japan from 1894 to 1900, in East Africa at Inhambane 1910-1915 and in Rhodesia at Old Umtali 1915-1929. Buried at Old Umtali.
Miss Mildred O. Benson, age 42, died July 12th 1937, a missionary of the W.F.M.S. She served in S. Rhodesia at Old Umtali, 1926-1937. Buried at Old Umtali.
Miss Pearl Mullikin, age 71, died July 12th, 1950. She served in S. Rhodesia from 1909-1939. Buried at Wilmore, Kentucky.
Miss Lois Pfaff, age 53, died March 14th, 1962, served as a missionary for 18 years. Buried at Old Umtali.
Miss Frances Quinton, age 82, died February 28th, 1965. Served in Rhodesia from 1917-1945. Buried in Frankfort, Indiana.
Mrs. Margaret Brancel, age 35, died September 14th, 1965. Served in Rhodesia from 1963-1965. Buried at Nyamuzuwe,

Rhodesia.

Miss Grace Clark, died 1965. Served in Rhodesia 1912-1947.

Miss Esther Russell, age, 38, died September 2, 1966. Served in Rhodesia 1951-1966. Buried at Rome, Pa.

Mrs. Inger Johanne W. Jansen, died April 20th, 1969. Served in Rhodesia 1950-1961. Buried in Norway.

Mr. Charles LeMasters, died Oct. 12, 1969. Served in Rhodesia 1960-1964. Buried in America.

Sherertz, Dwight Lamar; age 77; died January 19, 1970, served as a missionary in Rhodesia 1952-1958, buried in Virginia, U.S.A.

Miss Esther Rehm, age 35, died March 17, 1973, served as a Missionary in Rhodesia 1967-1973, buried at Nyadiri Mission.

Pearl Willis Jones age 80, died July 22, 1973, served as a Missionary in Rhodesia 1950-1960, buried in U.S.A..

HISTORICAL

Conference Sessions

EAST CENTRAL AFRICA MISSION CONFERENCE

| TIME | PLACE | BISHOP | SECRETARY |
|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 1901 Nov. 16 | Umtali and Old Umtali | Hartzell | Springer |
| 1903 Sept. 29 | Umtali | Hartzell | Beetham |
| 1905 May 26 | Umtali | Hartzell | Ferris |
| 1907 Mar. 13 | Umtali | Hartzell | Ferris |
| 1907 Nov. 22 | Umtali | Hartzell | Ferris |
| 1909 July 10 | Umtali | Hartzell | Greeley |
| 1910 Aug. 17 | Umtali | Hartzell | Greeley |
| 1911 June 7 | Umtali | Hartzell | Gurney |
| 1912 Feb. 17 | Old Umtali | (J. R. Gates) | O'Farrell |
| 1913 Oct. 22 | Old Umtali | Hartzell | Greeley |

RHODESIA MISSION CONFERENCE

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|---------------|------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1915 Jan. 20 | Old Umtali | Hartzell | Greeley |
| 1916 Feb. 16 | Old Umtali | (J. R. Gates) | Greeley |
| 1917 May 3 | Old Umtali | Johnson | Greeley |
| 1917 Dec. 7 | Old Umtali | Johnson | J. R. Gates |
| 1919 April 4 | Umtali | Johnson | Gurney |
| 1921 June 13 | Old Umtali | Johnson | James |
| 1922 June 14 | Old Umtali | Johnson | James |
| 1923 June 19 | Old Umtali | Shepard | James |
| 1924 Aug. 13 | Old Umtali | Johnson | James |
| 1925 June 25 | Old Umtali | Johnson | Wagner |
| 1926 Nov. 4 | Nyadiri | Johnson | R. C. Gates |
| 1927 June 14 | Old Umtali | Johnson | Murphree |
| 1928 Sept. 10 | Old Umtali | Johnson | Murphree |
| 1929 July 3 | Old Umtali | Johnson | Murphree |
| 1930 July 9 | Mutambara | Johnson | Murphree |

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| 1931 July 8 | Mrewa | Johnson | Sells |
| 1932 Sept. 28 | Old Umtali | Johnson | Sells |
| 1933 June 14 | Old Umtali | Johnson | Sells |
| 1934 June 13 | Old Umtali | Johnson | Sells |
| 1935 July 9 | Old Umtali | Johnson | Adkins |
| 1936 Dec. 6 | Old Umtali | Springer | Sells |
| 1937 Oct. 6 | Nyadiri | Springer | Sells |
| 1938 Oct. 5 | Old Umtali | Springer | Sells |
| 1939 Nov. 8 | Old Umtali | Springer | Sells |

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| 1939 Nov. 10 | Old Umtali | Springer | Sells |
| 1940 July 24 | Mrewa | Springer | Sells |
| 1941 Sept. 2 | Old Umtali | Springer | Sells |
| 1942 Sept. 1 | Mutambara | Springer | Sells |
| 1943 Aug. 31 | Old Umtali | Springer | Sells |
| 1944 Sept. 5 | Old Umtali | Springer | Sells |
| 1945 Aug. 21 | Nyadiri | Booth | Sells |
| 1946 Aug. 22 | Old Umtali | Booth | Sells |

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| 1947 | Aug. | 25 | Old Umtali | Booth | Fuller |
| 1948 | Aug. | 23 | Old Umtali | Booth | Sells |
| 1949 | Aug. | 25 | Old Umtali | Booth | Fuller |
| 1950 | Aug. | 23 | Old Umtali | Booth | Sells |
| 1951 | Aug. | 19 | Old Umtali | Booth | Sells |
| 1952 | Aug. | 19 | Old Umtali | Booth | Sells |
| 1953 | Aug. | 16 | Old Umtali | Booth | Sells |
| 1954 | Aug. | 15 | Old Umtali | Booth | Sells |
| 1955 | Aug. | 14 | Old Umtali | Hagen | Hassing |
| 1956 | Aug. | 29 | Old Umtali | Booth | Sells |
| 1957 | April | 23 | Old Umtali | Dodge | Sells |
| 1958 | May | 4 | Old Umtali | Dodge | Sells |
| 1959 | May | 3 | Nyadiri | Dodge, Booth | Goodloe |
| 1960 | April | 29 | Old Umtali | (Griffin), Dodge | Goodloe |
| 1961 | May | 1 | Old Umtali | Dodge | Choto |
| 1962 | April | 23 | Nyadiri | Booth | Choto |
| 1963 | April | 29 | Mutambara | Dodge | Choto |
| 1964 | May | 11 | Mrewa | Dodge | Choto |
| 1965 | May | 3 | Old Umtali | Zunguze | Muzorewa |
| 1966 | May | 3 | Nyadiri | (Kawadza) | Muzorewa |
| 1967 | May | 2 | Mutambara | (Kawadza) | Muzorewa |

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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| 1968 | May | 7 | Old Umtali | Zunguze | Muzorewa |
| 1969 | April | 29 | Mrewa | Muzorewa | Kurewa |
| 1970 | January | 6 | Nyadiri | Muzorewa | Kurewa |
| 1970 | June | 12 | Old Umtali | Muzorewa | Musumhi |
| 1971 | January | 5 | Mutambara | Muzorewa | Musumhi |
| 1972 | January | 4 | Old Umtali | Muzorewa | Musumhi |
| 1973 | January | 8 | St. Ignatius | Muzorewa | Musumhi |
| 1973 | Dec. | 31 | Nyadiri | Muzorewa | Musumhi |

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

BULAWAYO

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Bulawayo Circuit | 4151 |
| Lovemore Nyanungo | 60123-11 |

CASHEL

Mutambara Methodist Centre

| | |
|---|--------|
| Chairman (and Pastor) | 0-0402 |
| Principal (and Conference Secretary) | 0-0421 |
| Central Primary School | 0-0414 |
| Secondary School Headmaster | 0-0420 |
| Boys' Department | 0-0403 |
| Girls' Department | 0-0412 |
| Sisters' Home | 0-0422 |
| Hospital | 0-0431 |
| John B. Jijita, District Superintendent | 0-0413 |
| Sunnyside Homecraft School | 0-0913 |

HEADLANDS

| | |
|------------------------|--------|
| Arnoldine Centre | 0-0530 |
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MANGULA

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Mangula Circuit | 0-2513 |
| Enoch Chieza | 528 |

MREWA

| | |
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| Mrewa Mission (Includes all those who work at Mrewa) | 13 |
| Josiah Kurewa, District Superintendent | 30 |
| Rudolph Matongo, Nyamutumbu Church | 0-1940 |

MTOKO

| | |
|--|--------|
| Nyadiri Chairman (and Pastor) | 0-1813 |
| Nyadiri Principal | 0-1821 |
| Nyadiri Teacher Training College | 0-1822 |
| Methodist Hospital (Nyadiri) | 0-1803 |
| Nyadiri Maintenance Department | 0-1804 |
| Joseph Bisby, District Supt. | 37 |
| Nyamuzuwe Centre | 0-1902 |
| Nyamukapa, Rev. P.C. (Home) | 0-1840 |

PENHALONGA

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Nyakatsapa Primary School | 27519 |
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RUSAPE

| | |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Vengere Methodist Church | 385 |
| Kenneth Shamu | 385 |
| Gandanzara School | 41226 |

SALISBURY

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Kare Eriksson | 55589 |
| Zvomunondiita Kurewa | 55529 |
| Alec Alvord | 55643 |
| Methodist Head Office | 704127 and 704128 |
| Dental Clinic | 81994 |
| Epworth Theological College | 55529 |
| Market Square Book Room | 20925 |
| Salisbury-Bulawayo District Superintendent | 20925 |
| Harare Circuit | 81676 |
| Highfield Circuit | 85838 |
| Mabvuku Circuit | 464436 |
| Marcia Ball (house) | 22704 |
| Maurice Culver | 55585 |
| Tom Curtis (house) | 84586 |
| Pat Fulmer (house) | 892148 |
| Charles Miller | 33938 |
| Mufakose Circuit | 6075018 |

UMTALI

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|---|--------------------|
| Old Umtali Centre (Includes all those who work at Old Umtali) * | |
| | * 2433 (64733) |
| African Girls' Hostel | * 3425 (63425) |
| African Girls' Hostel Call Box | * 221111 (6002811) |
| Sakubva Christian Centre (Hilltop) | * 42947 (60847) |
| Wesley House, 133 Main St. (Frank Messenger) | * 3492 (63492) |
| Darrell Huddleston | * 269 (62691) |

INYAZURA

| | |
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| Chiduku South Circuit | 0-1504 |
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* Will change number sometime in 1974. Where new number is known, it is given in brackets. Otherwise consult the telephone operator for information.

APPENDIX

Subsequent to the meeting of the Annual Conference (1974) it was pointed out to us by our lawyers that the revised Constitution and Board of Trustees elected as a result thereof are invalid. This is due to the fact that clause 16 of the existing Constitution was not fulfilled. This clause reads as follows:

"16. Any of the terms of this Constitution may be changed at any time at a general meeting of the Rhodesia Annual Conference, provided that the decision to make alterations shall have been passed by a majority of not less than two-thirds of such members entitled to vote as are present at such meeting, and provided further that not less than thirty days' notice has been given to members of the Rhodesia Annual Conference specifying the intention to make amendments and the terms of the amendments."

It is regretted that thirty days' notice was not given before the revision was presented to the Annual Conference. Therefore, the revised Constitution and the "new" Board of Trustees that was elected in terms of this Constitution are invalid. Before the next Annual Conference meets the proper notice will be sent out, with proposals for amendment, so that this error can be corrected.

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STATISTICIAN'S REPORT
MIREWA DISTRICT - 1973

OTALS

| WORKERS | | 2 | | 2 | | 2 | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1. | Members of Conf. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| A. | Under appointment | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| (1) | Africans | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| (2) | Missionaries | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| B. | Others | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| (1) | Africans | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| (2) | Missionaries | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2. | On Trial | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 3. | Missionaries | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 4. | Other Miss. Workers | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 5. | Other Sal. Past. Workers | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 6. | Approved Sup. past. | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| B. | Loc. preach. and eva. | 110 | 105 | 962 | 407 | 180 | 252 |
| Other Christ. life work | 80 | 44 | 38 | 98 | 160 | 206 | 93 |
| A. | Local Preachers | 306 | 71 | 78 | 109 | 156 | 137 |
| Volunteer workers | 426 | 220 | 478 | 614 | 496 | 695 | 158 |
| B. | Exhort. and Class lead. | 336 | 50 | 146 | 467 | 496 | 177 |
| Bapt. Children (Under 12 Yrs) | 1231 | 386 | 579 | 613 | 608 | 251 | 320 |
| Enrolled Beginners | 1231 | 27 | 39 | 47 | 44 | 30 | 14 |
| Prep. Members | 626 | 203 | 305 | 201 | 320 | 90 | 94 |
| Tot. on Prob. (8, 9, 10) | 626 | 18 | 62 | 66 | 34 | 34 | 5 |
| 1. | (a) Full Members (Female) | 54 | 7 | 6 | 13 | 5 | 79 |
| 2. | (b) Full Members (Male) | 50 | 7 | 6 | 14 | 10 | 5 |
| (c) Full Members Undesignated | 1231 | 7 | 6 | 12 | 48 | 47 | 8 |
| Tot. Full Members (12a, 12b) | 1231 | 89 | 89 | 14 | 10 | 5 | 2 |
| 1. | Members Men's Soc. | 464 | 119 | 59 | 255 | 380 | 210 |
| 2. | Members Women's Soc. | 422 | 169 | 124 | 253 | 252 | 145 |
| 3. | Members Youth Soc. | 464 | 119 | 59 | 255 | 380 | 210 |
| 4. | No. Preach. places | 26 | 7 | 6 | 14 | 10 | 5 |
| 5. | No. Sunday Schools | 89 | 7 | 6 | 12 | 14 | 10 |
| 6. | No. Teachers and Officers in | 28 | 12 | 13 | 46 | 19 | 18 |
| Sunday Schools | 464 | 119 | 59 | 255 | 380 | 210 | 134 |
| 7. | No Pup. in S. Schools | 422 | 169 | 124 | 253 | 252 | 145 |
| 8. | Average Attendance | 422 | 169 | 124 | 253 | 252 | 145 |
| ASTORAL ACTIVITIES | | 2 | | 2 | | 2 | |
| 1. | Children Baptized | 32 | 23 | 48 | 61 | 60 | 19 |
| 2. | Adults Baptized | 44 | 15 | 11 | 6 | 2 | 1 |
| 3. | Beginners Received | 24 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 54 | 37 |
| 4. | Pres. Memb. Received | 10 | 22 | 23 | 32 | 20 | 57 |
| 5. | Full Memb. fr. Prob. | 3 | 22 | 52 | 32 | 24 | 2 |
| 6. | Full Memb. rec. by trans. | 1 | 8 | 17 | 60 | 2 | 123 |
| 7. | Full Memb. remov. by Transfer | 1 | 12 | 37 | 14 | 2 | 24 |
| 8. | Full Memb. who died | 5 | 11 | 17 | 6 | 15 | 13 |
| 9. | Christ. Marr. performed | 10 | 4 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 4 |

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MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT
1973

| | MTOKO SOUTH | MTOKO EAST | MTOKO NORTH | MTOKO WEST | CHIKWIZO | DENDERA | NYADIRI CENTRE | NYADIRI CIRCUIT | NYAMAZUME | TOTALS |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|----------|---------|----------------|-----------------|-----------|--------|
| WORKERS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Members of Conf. | | | | | | | | | | |
| A. Under appointment | | | | | | | | | | |
| (1) Africans | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 10 |
| (2) Missionaries | | | | | | | | | | 4 |
| B. Others | | | | | | | | | | |
| (1) Africans | | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| (2) Missionaries | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| 2. On Trial | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| 3. Missionaries | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| 4. Other Miss. Workers | | | | | | | | | | 4 |
| 5. Other Sal. Past. Workers | | | | | | | | | | 7 |
| A. Approved Supp. past. | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Loc. preach. and eva. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other Christ. life work | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. Volunteer workers | | | | | | | | | | |
| A. Local Preachers | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Exhort. and Class lead | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8. Baptized Children (Under 12yrs) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9. Enrolled Beginners | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10. Prob. Members | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11. Tot. on Prob (8, 9, 10) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12. (a) Full Members (Female) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (b) Full Members (Male) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13. Tot. Full Members | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14. Members Men's Soc. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15. Members Women's Soc. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16. Members Youth Soc. | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17. No. Preach. places | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18. No. Sunday Schools | | | | | | | | | | |
| 19. No. Teachers and Officers in | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sunday Schools | 38 | 37 | 34 | 38 | 19 | 22 | 17 | 14 | 28 | 247 |
| No. Pup. in S. School | 690 | 704 | 54 | 245 | 332 | 570 | 332 | | | 3529 |
| 20. No. Average Attendance | 529 | 511 | 391 | 64 | 262 | 1030 | | | | 3203 |
| PASTORAL ACTIVITIES | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21. Children Baptized | | | | | | | | | | |
| 22. Children Baptized | 13 | 32 | 4 | 24 | 7 | 22 | 16 | 21 | 20 | 159 |
| 23. Adults Baptized | 33 | 104 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 11 | 21 | 248 |
| 24. J.BEGINNERS RECEIVED | 11 | 65 | 7 | 119 | 10 | 54 | 15 | 15 | 56 | 337 |
| 25. PREP. MEMB. RECEIVED | 30 | 53 | 11 | 20 | 3 | 7 | 23 | 20 | 20 | 167 |
| 26. FULL MEMB. FR. PROBA. | 33 | 24 | 4 | 32 | 11 | 24 | 1 | 34 | 21 | 184 |
| 27. FULL MEMB. REC. BY TRANS. | 1 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 23 | 6 | 9 | 56 | 56 |
| 28. FULL MEMB. REMOV. BY TRANSFER | 11 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 18 | 3 | 4 | 50 | 50 |
| 29. FULL MEMB. WHO DIED | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 10 |
| 30. CHRIST. MARR. PERFORMED | 3 | 5 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 48 |

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT
SALISBURY-SUAKALAYO
DISTRICT - 1973

| | BINDURA-MOUNT DARWIN | BULAWAYO | MANGULIA | SALISBURY-HARARE | HIGHFIELD | MABVUKU | MUFAKOSE | MIDLANDS | MARANDELLAS | CIRCUIT | TOTALS |
|---|----------------------|----------|----------|------------------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|-------------|---------|--------|
| WORKERS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Members of Conf. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A. Under appointment | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (1) Africans | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| (2) Missionaries | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| B. Others | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (1) Africans | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (2) Missionaries | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. On Trial | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J. Missionaries | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. Other Miss. Workers | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Other Sal. Past. Workers | 1 | | | 24 | | | | | | | 1 |
| A. Approved Supp. past. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Loc. preach. and eva. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other Christ. life work | | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| 7. Volunteer workers | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A. Local Preachers | 12 | 11 | 11 | 14 | 19 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 30 |
| B. Exhort. and Class lead | (24) | 15 | 22 | 46 | 48 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 143 |
| 8. Bapt. Children (Under 12 Yrs) | 26 | 235 | 87 | 184 | 377 | 290 | 290 | 290 | 290 | 290 | 183 |
| 9. Enrolled Beginners | 25 | 18 | 33 | 45 | 52 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 1568 |
| 10. Predatory Members | 24 | 60 | 16 | 57 | 311 | 219 | 219 | 219 | 219 | 219 | 889 |
| 11. Tot. on Prob. - (8, 9, 10) | 85 | 313 | 136 | 286 | 740 | 605 | 605 | 605 | 605 | 605 | 458 |
| 12. (a) Full Members (Female) | 169 | 87 | 132 | 293 | 221 | 221 | 221 | 221 | 221 | 221 | 902 |
| (b) Full Members (Male) | 121 | 93 | 86 | 251 | 266 | 258 | 258 | 258 | 258 | 258 | 817 |
| (c) Full Members (Undesignated) | 61 | 290 | 186 | 200 | 186 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 86 |
| 13. Tot. on Full Memb. (12a, 12b) | 61 | 290 | 186 | 418 | 544 | 487 | 487 | 487 | 487 | 487 | 2349 |
| 14. Members Men's Soc. | 8 | 52 | 18 | 47 | 51 | 65 | 56 | 66 | 66 | 66 | 11 |
| 15. Members Women's Soc. | 37 | 103 | 70 | 106 | 149 | 123 | 114 | 114 | 114 | 114 | 36 |
| 16. Members Youth Soc. | 11 | 79 | 31 | 130 | 101 | 73 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 14 |
| 17. No. Preach. places | 6 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 25 |
| 18. No. Sunday Schools | 4 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 40 |
| 19. No. Teachers and Officers in Sunday Schools | 5 | 19 | 11 | 5 | 26 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 90 |
| 20. No. Pup. in S. Schools | 90 | 220 | 74 | 128 | 470 | 163 | 406 | 406 | 406 | 406 | 65 |
| 21. Average Attendance | 60 | 165 | 142 | 60 | 302 | 795 | 300 | 300 | 300 | 300 | 1890 |
| PASTORAL ACTIVITIES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 22. Children Baptized | 29 | 24 | 90 | 22 | 51 | 34 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 5 |
| 23. Adults Baptized | 7 | 10 | 32 | 24 | 26 | 13 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 283 |
| 24. Beginners Received | 24 | | 32 | 5 | 22 | 37 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 134 |
| 25. Prep. Memb. Received | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 26. Full Memb. fr. Proba. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 27. Full Memb. rec. by trans. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28. Full Memb. remov. by Transfer | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 29. Full Memb. who died | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 30. Christ. Marr. performed | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 7 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 43 |

| | MHLEWA | MIASA- MAKONI | MTOKO-NYADIRI | SALISBURY- BULAWAYO | UMTALI | SOUTH | OTHER | TOTALS |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| WORKERS | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Members of Conf. | | | | | | | | |
| A. Under appointment | | | | | | | | |
| (1) Africans | 8 | 11 | 10 | 4 | 15 | 6 | 54 | -3 |
| (2) Missionaries | | | 4 | 6 | 3 | 10 | 24 | +3 |
| B. Others | | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| (1) Africans | | | 4 | 2 | 6 | 15 | 16 | +7 |
| (2) Missionaries | | | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 5 | +5 |
| 2. On Trial | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | +1 |
| 3. Missionaries | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 27 | -17 |
| 4. Other Miss. Workers | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 43 | -17 |
| 5. Other Sal. Past. Workers | | | 7 | 7 | | 7 | | - |
| 4. Approved Supp. past. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | -9 |
| B. Loc. preach. and eva. | | 28 | | | | | | |
| Other Christ. life work | | 16 | | | | | | |
| 7. Volunteer workers | | | 1 | 24 | 24 | 1 | 53 | -39 |
| A. Local Preachers | | 380 | 258 | 173 | 445 | 1544 | 1214 | +124 |
| B. Exhort. and Class lead | 436 | 506 | 423 | 183 | 579 | 2127 | 2225 | +225 |
| 8. Bapt. Children (Under 12 yrs) | 1640 | 2908 | 1012 | 1568 | 1747 | 8875 | 1106 | +1106 |
| 9. Enrolled Beginners | 651 | 1405 | 988 | 314 | 1324 | 4692 | 393 | +393 |
| 10. Prep. Members | 905 | 2026 | 694 | 865 | 865 | 6052 | 268 | +268 |
| 11. Tot. on Probation (8, 9, 10) | 3196 | 5935 | 2694 | 2747 | 4643 | 18645 | 125 | +125 |
| 12. (a) Full Members (F) | 2436 | 3026 | 2243 | 902 | 4070 | 12677 | | |
| (b) Full Members (M) | 451 | 1534 | 408 | 817 | 1447 | 4657 | | |
| (c) Full Members Undesignated | 806 | 2113 | 0 | 630 | 715 | 4264 | | |
| 13. Tot. Full Members | 3693 | 6673 | 2651 | 2349 | 6232 | 21598 | | |
| 14. Members Men's Soc. | 295 | 501 | 250 | 314 | 634 | 4684 | | |
| 15. Members Women's Soc. | 1852 | 2827 | 1561 | 747 | 2742 | 1994 | | |
| 16. Members Youth Soc. | 663 | 549 | 664 | 522 | 1237 | 9729 | | |
| 17. No. Preach. places | 67 | 86 | 69 | 35 | 109 | 3645 | | |
| 18. No. Sunday Schools | 137 | 241 | 109 | 40 | 165 | 366 | | |
| 19. No. Teachers and Officers in | | | | | | 692 | | |
| 20. Sunday Schools | 278 | 906 | 247 | 90 | 365 | 1886 | | |
| 21. No. Pup. in S. School | 4510 | 3843 | 3529 | 1616 | 4449 | 17947 | | |
| 21. Average Attendance | 2835 | 2529 | 3203 | 1890 | 3448 | 13905 | | |
| PASTORAL ACTIVITIES | | | | | | | | |
| 22. Children Baptized | 441 | 898 | 159 | 283 | 467 | 2248 | -9 | |
| Adults Baptized | 2338 | 282 | 248 | 134 | 262 | 1409 | +139 | |
| 23. Beginners Received | 256 | 580 | 337 | 141 | 488 | 1802 | -46 | |
| Prep. Memb. Received | | | 167 | 64 | 420 | 1397 | +103 | |
| 24. Full Memb. fr. Proba. | 281 | 465 | 451 | 184 | 120 | 1424 | -110 | |
| 25. Full Memb. rec. by trans. | | | 167 | 56 | 207 | 632 | +41 | |
| 26. Full Memb. remov. by Transfer | 59 | | 180 | 50 | 174 | 185 | +94 | |
| 27. Full Memb. who died | 83 | 19 | 128 | 10 | 8 | 58 | +172 | |
| 28. Christ. Marr. performed | 57 | 13 | 48 | 43 | 113 | 313 | +65 | |

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MREWAI

SALISBURY -
BULAWAYO

TOTALS

CHANGE FROM 1972

| EDUCATIONAL | MREWAI | MTOKA-NYADIRI | MTASA-NAKONI | UMTALI SOUTH | SALISBURY - BULAWAYO | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|--|
| 31. No. of Schools | 7 | 87 | 87 | 87 | -10 | |
| 32. No. of Teach. in Schools | 1532 | 1532 | -83 | -83 | | |
| 33. No. of Students (total) | 958 | 958 | -3424 | -3424 | | |
| A. Male | 574 | 574 | -1885 | -1885 | | |
| B. Female | 153200 | 153200 | -1536 | -1536 | | |
| 34. Finances (in dollars) | | | | | | |
| A. Local Support | | | | | | |
| (1) On Budget | | | | | | |
| (2) On Buildings | | | | | | |
| B. Government Support | | | | | | |
| (1) On Budget | | | | | | |
| (2) On Buildings | | | | | | |
| C. World Service Support | | | | | | |
| (1) On Budget | | | | | | |
| (2) On Buildings | | | | | | |
| D. Total Teach. Salaries | | | | | | |
| E. Total Expenses | | | | | | |
| (1) On Budget | | | | | | |
| (2) On Buildings | | | | | | |
| 35. MEDICAL | | | | | | |
| 35. No. of units | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | |
| A. Hospitals | | | | | | |
| B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres | 5 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 17 | |
| C. Maternity Centres | 1 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 10 | |
| 36. Medical Staff | | | | | | |
| A. Doctors | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 | |
| B. Nurses | 16 | 27 | 13 | 13 | 56 | |
| C. Nurses in Training | | | | | | |
| D. Others | 26 | 62 | 27 | 27 | 72 | |
| 37. Patients | | | | | | |
| A. Hospitalized | 1861 | 12317 | 1791 | 15969 | | |
| (1) Total No. of Pat. | 21489 | 65308 | 30613 | 117410 | | |
| (2) Total No. of days in Hospital | 6745 | 12276 | 7421 | 26442 | | |
| B. Clinic Patients | 16434 | 50400 | 14454 | 81288 | | |
| C. Daily Treatments | 599 | 1102 | 483 | 2184 | | |
| 38. Finances (in dollars) | | | | | | |
| A. Local Support | 15890 | 50220 | 10617 | 76727 | | |
| (1) On Budget | | | | | | |
| (2) On Buildings | | | | | | |
| B. Government Support | | | | | | |
| (1) On Budget | | | | | | |
| (2) On Buildings | | | | | | |
| C. World Service Support | | | | | | |
| (1) On Budget | | | | | | |
| (2) On Buildings | | | | | | |
| D. Total Workers Sal. | | | | | | |
| E. Total Expenses | | | | | | |
| (1) On Budget | | | | | | |
| (2) On Buildings | | | | | | |

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